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Concerned citizens take action



Rob McIntosh, citizens' group spokesman.

By Mack McCall
Citizens from Lodgepole, Cynthia and Drayton Valley have formed a citizens' action committee, with the purpose of demanding more public information on blowout dangers.

"We're not out to black ball Amoco or any other oil company," said Rob McIntosh, spokesman for the group.

"Too many people have complained about lack of access to pertinent data."

The group expressed frustration with three potential information sources—the ERCB, Amoco and Alberta Environment.

"There has been no co-ordination of information so when you go looking for answers, you find little bits here and there but never enough for a big picture," said McIntosh.

The citizens' action committee met three times in as many weeks, beginning in Cynthia, then Lodgepole, and finally in Drayton Valley. Thirty people attended the Cynthia meeting. 150 were crowded into Lodgepole school gym and a meeting with Shirley Cripps was arranged for Dec. 13 in Drayton Valley.

The most public of the three meetings was Lodgepole where complaints ranged from nausea and sore eyes, to one farmer's complaint that his vealers were over two weeks behind feeding.

"We're afraid of ignorance. Maybe the government is too," said McIntosh.



Joe Lavasa was one of the many expressing concern over health hazards.

"We want to see comprehensive health studies available to the public, we want to see better co-ordination of public information outlets, and we want to know why these blowouts keep happening."

Following the Drayton Valley meeting with Cripps, the committee members seemed content.

"Nothing came out of the meeting we didn't expect. But she is taking the issue into the cabinet."

"Cripps brought several government officials to the meeting in Drayton Valley and they all had open minds about our demands," McIntosh explained.

"They will be getting back to us at week's end with an indication of what they'll do next."

Capping procedures continue at wild well

By Stuart Adams
The initial stage of the capping of Amoco Canada's blowout has been completed and the second stage was expected to be finished yesterday.

"On Friday crews at the site removed a wellhead casing bowl after steel cable drawn between two service rigs cut through the outer casing supporting the casing bowl," said Amoco spokesman Don Smith, Moody.

He said the second stage, the completion of a 120-metre long trench, three metres deep and 10 metres wide, would likely be finished Tuesday.

To protect the workers from the heat he said a

'riser' or chimney has been suspended by a crane over the flame. Its function is to move the flame higher above the work area.

It was decided to remove the casing bowl after it became apparent it was damaged by the second

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Sparks cause fire

By Stuart Adams

Errant sparks appear to be the cause of a fire Monday at H.W. Pickup Junior High School.

The fire began at about 11 a.m. in the industrial arts building of the school. "We think that it was caused by a spark when they were cutting a bearing raceway," said Drayton Valley Fire Chief Sheldon Poon.

"It appears sparks fell down a wall, heat register and ignited dust and the subflooring in the diet."

Clint Schwalbe was the teacher in charge of Grade 11 and 12 students taking a power mechanics course. "We cut the bearing and there wasn't any serious smoke until about a half an hour after we finished."

He said the cutting of the bearing created a considerable amount of smoke and windows had been opened to increase ventilation. "It started to get thicker and then we saw smoke coming from the register."

The alarm was turned on at about 11:15 and the fire was extinguished by 11:45. There was minor damage to the surface and subfloor and the wall around the register.

Both the industrial arts building and the main building of the school were evacuated. Principal Colin Cavanagh complimented his students on the orderliness and promptness of their evacuation.

Fire Chief Sheldon Poon examines the cause of the fire.

Drayton Valley loses a native son

Funeral mass was held yesterday for 17-year-old Rob Cebulak of Drayton Valley. The youth succumbed to subzero temperatures Dec. 11 while looking for a Christmas tree and attempting to take pictures of the Lodgepole blowout. He was accompanied by a friend, Dean Hutchinson, 17, also of Drayton Valley, who remains in the University Hospital in Edmonton.

An RCMP report stated the youths left Drayton Valley at about 3 p.m. Dec. 10 for the Lodgepole area. They apparently parked their vehicle three to four miles from the blowout site and began walking down a cutting.

According to the report they became turned around and found themselves on another cutting. At this point they were unsure where they had left their vehicle and began walking towards the flame of the blowout.

Permit required when cutting down Christmas tree

Those who settle for nothing less than Yuletide authenticity should know the Alberta Forest Service has tree cutting designations for the 1982 season.

Road, powerline and pipeline right-of-way in all of Township 47, range 9, west of the fifth are fair game for tree cutting permit holders. Permits are available from the Lodgepole Forestry office at no cost, however, \$1.60 per tree is charged with three trees being the maximum allowed.

Most of the trees in the area are spruce, with a sprinkling of aspen, according to George Benoit, chief ranger of the Lodgepole Forestry station. Persons found in possession of timber products without a valid permit are subject to a fine of up to \$100 under Section 88 of Timber management regulations, according to Corporal Tom Turner of the Drayton Valley RCMP detachment.

Dean Hutchinson's father, John, said he hadn't had the opportunity to sit down and piece the entire story together with his son. "We've guessed that when they realized they couldn't find the car they tried to make the blowout as a last hope," he said.

"They struggled until Robbie couldn't continue, and Dean went on hoping there would be someone at the site."

At this point the boys had been in the bush for almost 12 hours wearing ski jackets, jeans and running shoes.

They were between one-half and three-quarters of a mile from the well site.

Mr. Hutchinson said his son made it to the site but there was no one there. He attempted to use a radio in the trailer but couldn't get any results.

"And as soon as his foot started to warm up he couldn't walk," said his father.

Workers arrived at the site at about 8 a.m. and searchers found the body of Rob Cebulak at 8:24 a.m.

Dean was taken to Drayton Valley Hospital by helicopter and then moved to Edmonton. The RCMP report said he is suffering from third degree frostbite to his feet. Mr. Hutchinson said doctors expect his son will be in hospital for about one month.

Junior Cebulak said her brother had always enjoyed the outdoors. "He was close to nature," she said, adding "he was always so happy."



-Rob Cebulak

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Court docket

Dale Lac of Drayton Valley pleaded guilty to charges of hunting moose without a licence and allowing edible meat of big game to waste in provincial court Dec. 9. He was fined \$100 on the first charge and \$250 on the second. Charges resulted from an investigation by Drayton Valley Fish and Wildlife officers.

Leo Hyman was found guilty of possession of an endangered big game animal and was fined \$250. Charges resulted from an investigation by Evansburg Fish and Wildlife officers.

Lyle Northey and Patrick Shaw of Whitecourt were fined \$100 each from charges Dec. 7 of causing a disturbance in the Cynthia Hotel.

William Krysta of Drayton Valley was sentenced to two terms of 30 days imprisonment to be served concurrently as a result of charges Aug. 30 of unlawfully in a dwelling house, and assault causing bodily harm. Charges stem from an incident in Lodgepole. He was also fined \$100 or 10 days in jail from Oct. 13 charges of mischief. This incident occurred at the Drayton Valley Hotel.

Break-even proposition should be taken

By Mack McCall
The town's Phase III development is losing money and town council wants to get out before they lose any more.

That was the wish expressed by Howard Olsen during the council meeting Dec. 8, concerning the serviced development in the northeast corner of town.

"We have basically three options," explained town manager Manny Dean.

"We have to develop and phase it. The three ways of selling it are 1) unreserved section, 2) developer/builder to build and sell, then pay the

town, 3) give Drayton Valley resident taxpayers a chance to buy at 10 per cent down, with six months to pay it off."

A motion calling for anything looking like a break-even proposition should be taken, said Mayor Mayhem.

"We are anxious to move on this. The mayor replied on an offer of \$19,000, when private sale under way immediately, at soon as possible.

"I like the option have to be re-assessed in

order to put these lots to market value," said Dean.



Snow helps business

By Greg Harris
With only 10 shopping days left until Christmas Drayton Valley merchants report business is picking up.

"It's slower than in years past, but I don't think we have the people around that we did," says Charlie Swag of the Derrick Mail Merchants' Association.

"It seems to have picked up more with the snow... a lot of people are getting around."

"Last year when we didn't have the snow all the shopping was done in the last two weeks," recalls Alfred Armstrong of the Downtown Merchants' Association.

Sales aren't "too bad," according to Armstrong, but he adds it's "hard to tell" if merchants will have the kind of Christmas season they're depending on.

"Business has been pretty steady and it's probably going to get a lot busier from here on in," predicts Gary Hansen of the Dodson Plaza Merchants' Association.

Swap points out that the seasonal shopping spree is crucial for many merchants.

"If you don't have a good Christmas and you have a bad spring you could be in trouble... a lot of businesses could be nervous."

"However, you've always got to look for the best," he concludes. "There's no sense in worrying about it and getting grey hair."

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Opinions

Still no information available

"An interesting editorial appeared in The Western Review on March 1, 1978. Then editor-publisher Gary MacDonald referred to the Energy Resources Conservation Board

(ERCB) inquiry into the cause of the Amoco Canada blowout. The editorial was headlined 'People soon forget blowout complaints'. In it MacDonald

took the 'public' to task for failing to make the inquiry a 'public inquiry'.

"An ERCB spokesman remarked after the hearing that there was apparently no longer any public concern in Drayton Valley regarding the 27-day ordeal," he wrote.

"He said he was disappointed that nobody walked up to the podium and grilled the company officials when they had the chance."

The two-day hearings were held in Drayton Valley, where they should be held this time, as well. According to reports there were approximately 200 people in attendance on the first day, including a number of school children, and virtually none on the second.

Only a "horde of reporters and a gathering of oil people remained."

Headaches and nausea were some of the symptoms experienced by area residents five years ago, yet the public response was underwhelming.

At that time there was no body of information to draw from to inform the public of the effects of hydrogen sulphide. Five years later there is still no information available.

Citizens' action committees have been formed in Lodgepole and Cynthia and hopefully they will learn something from past experience. People's memories are short and once an irritant (albeit dangerous or not) is removed it will be forgotten.

The cause of the blowout was determined and it was attributed to faulty drilling procedures on the part of Amoco.

In his editorial MacDonald concluded that blowouts will occur as drilling continues, but the drilling companies should be more careful in their procedures.

Another lesson is there to be learned five years later.

While blowouts are as inevitable as ships sinking, the ERCB should be able to inform the public as to the dangers they face from the results.

We have not been presented with information as to the long-term effects of the gas. It must be recognized that it takes time to assemble data and conduct tests. But we have not been informed as to the prospects of such work.

The oil and gas industry is important to this province and we must face a certain number of risks. But our governing body has not told us how great the risks are.

There was a full-scale evacuation of Mistisauaga, Ontario following a train derailment. Although there was immediate danger, there is a difference between a here and now occurrence and a long-term inevitability.

The responsibility lies with the government to keep the people informed and with the people to inform the government of their wishes.



Winter sculptures are being formed.

Kids drool over Christmas toy ads

A recent comparison between dog food and children's toys is an apt one for Christmas. If you watch television you will see most of the commercials for dog food are directed at humans.

Those tender little morsels of nutrition aren't appreciated by the canine set — they're not the ones who watch the tube. It's we humans who are supposed to drool over the bite-sized chunks and burgers.

One can only hope the money isn't being spent at the expense of the nutrient value for the pets.

Now Christmas is almost here and the same techniques are being applied to entice us

to buy exotic-looking toys for our children.

Stop and think for a minute and realize that the criteria some parents are using for choosing their children's gifts are being influenced by the same methods used to help them choose their dog food.

Christmas is a time of giving. But you not only give a gift, you give something of yourself, you share something of yourself.

It's easy to be taken in by television's bouncing, happy children playing with toys a real child would discard in a few days. What's more worthwhile is finding something which is right for your child and will last a lot longer.

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Opinions

Editor's Notes

I finally have the Christmas spirit.

An editor I know once mentioned he takes a drive through the residential areas of his town every once in a while — just to keep in touch with the community. The comment made sense and I take a whirl through the town every now and then.

Sunday night seemed like a good time for another tour. Christmas is almost here and most of the people with decorated houses have them lit up.

There are a good number of them in town. As I drove up and down the streets I realized that a lot of people had climbed ladders in the cold just to attach lights to their houses and trees.

I had stopped to take a picture of a house with its display of Santa's Workshop and snowmen. Then I found they even had speakers set up and were playing Christmas carols.

The more I drove the more I recalled my first Christmas away from Alberta. I had moved to Montreal four years ago and what struck me the most were the lack of homes with lights.

So few people seemed interested in decorating their homes for the holidays. It was as though something like that wasn't as important in the big city. But it was one of the things I missed about Edmonton and when I went to Toronto to spend the holidays with friends it was the same there.

Now I've been living in small towns in Alberta for the last year and Edmonton strikes me as being much the same as the eastern cities. When you drive around the suburbs there aren't very many houses with lights and you don't know the people in them.

Although I don't know all the people in the houses I saw, I know that we're part of the same community and they're the ones I write for.



The Howard Gebhardt family began decorating same street as St. Anthony's and if you stop to their house six years ago and have added something listen you'll hear Christmas carols. (photo by Stuart Adams)

Your Comment

Where do you do your Christmas shopping ?



Melba Erickson
Drayton Valley
Most of it is Drayton Valley.
We haven't been to the city for months.

Carol Braden
Drayton Valley
Downtown in Drayton Valley and from the catalogue but we usually go to Red Deer.

Sholeen Posen
Drayton Valley
All of it is Drayton Valley. We always do 99 per cent of it here.

R.R. McGregor
Drayton Valley
I've done it all in Drayton Valley. We haven't been to the city for a couple of months.

Devron Prevost
Drayton Valley
His mother said he hasn't done it yet.

Recreation

Home turf good to FMHS clubs

By Mack McCall

Frank Maddock girls' basketball team placed first in their own tournament last weekend at the Drayton Valley High School.

In the first game against Evansburg, nine girls contributed to the scoring, in a 44-17 mismatch. "By the end of the first half we had a commanding lead," said Dave Schwandt, Amazon coach.

"We started freely substituting players, allowing everybody plenty of court time."

"We were shooting well throughout the game—48 per cent from the floor and 40 per cent from the foul line," said Schwandt.

The Amazons faced a challenge from Barrehead in the second game. The FMHS girls took an 18-5 lead by the end of the first half but had it cut to two points ending the third quarter.

"We regained our composure for the fourth quarter and started thinking offensively again but it was a hectic few minutes."

The final score was 27-39. Those two victories put FMHS against Devon for the final Saturday afternoon. The Amazons jumped into the lead 14-6 but Devon buckled down and kept it close.

"Offensively, the game was more of a shoot-out between Devon's Karen Lasnik and (FMHS's) Sharon Tuckwood."

"Sharon sank 28 points and the Devon girl scored 21 points," said Schwandt.

"We still require more point contributions from other members of the team and we need a consistent fast break to allow the guards more freedom."

In the same tournament, the boys' squad played its best ball of the season. They finished third overall, starting with a win against Evansburg, 56-24.

"Our team was organized, even though we had turn-over problems against Evansburg," said coach Wayne Cartwright.

Luckily, Evansburg had little practice time before the tournament so the boys had time to play around."

The second game was a rematch with Leduc, a team that humiliated the Warriors the week before. We had only four turn-overs against Leduc this time but ran into shooting problems.

"In the first quarter we were 6 for 14, then started hitting the mark by the second quarter," explained Cartwright.

Sluchinski rink advances to northern Alberta playdowns

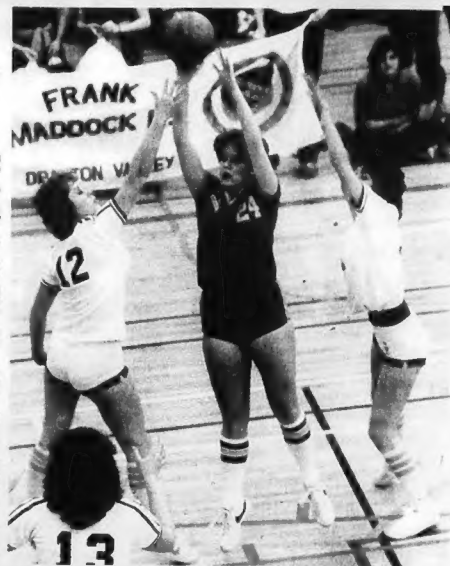
By Greg Harris

Drayton Valley hosted the 1982 Ladies' curling Zone 19 playdowns this weekend with 15 rinks competing in juniors', ladies' and seniors' categories.

Deanna Sluchinski of Drayton Valley skipped her rink to a new championship in the under 19 years old junior division and advanced to the Northern Alberta District Playdowns to be held Jan. 28, 29 and 30 at the Royal Glenora Curling Club in Edmonton.

The Grade 9 rink from H.W. Pickup Junior High School stole a point in the 11th end to edge Whitecourt and went on to a two-point win in a best two out of three match for the championship.

Sluchinski and mate Jackie Heinrich third,



Colleen Wall, Amazons' forward, sets up for a shot from just outside the key.

The more at the half was 21-30 for Leduc. The shooting fell apart again in the third quarter, then tightening up in the last quarter. The Warriors managed to make the score a respectable 46-35, in losing.

In the playoff for third place against Barrehead, the Warriors gave up eight turn-overs, in an extremely close match.

Warriors finished the tournament in third place, beating Barrehead 80-48.

"The best of the three games for us was against Leduc. We played good technical ball and set up the offence well."

"In another month, a lot of the kids will be gone and the boys should be playing consistently," believes Cartwright.

Kim Berquist second, and Jodi Ucheyshyn lead, squeaked through the first game against Hinton by stealing a point in the 10th end. They lost the second game 10-6 but bounced back in the third game 15-2.

This is the second year the rink has cruised together and 14-year-old Sluchinski is hoping the team's experience will pay off in Edmonton.

"We won the zones in Whitecourt last year but we didn't have any competition. The weather was really bad and we were the only (junior) rink that made it there."

"We didn't do too well in Edmonton, but it was good experience. We should do better this year," she predicts.

The Shirley Tucker rink of Spruce Grove

defeated Claudette Haskmore of Whitecourt to capture the ladies' division title and the Betty Fellows rink of Mayersvill defeated the Lorraine Zett-rink of Stony Plain to win the seniors' division.

Ship Margaret Noll, third Wendy Blar, second Les Motton and lead Ev Howatt represented Drayton Valley in the seniors' division while Ship Elaine Dusterbath, Third Irene Wilkes, Second Lila Gibson and Lead Joan Pruden represented Drayton Valley in the ladies' category.

Both rinks lost their first two games and failed to qualify for the playoffs.

Drayton Valley Curling Club men's playdowns got under way this weekend.

Blades kept busy by weekend action

By Greg Harris

Brandette Blades won two games and lost one in weekend Junior B hockey action.

Blades battled Whitecourt Warriors to a 6-5 overtime win Thursday and according to coach Les Sinclair teamwork was the winning factor.

"The boys played exceptionally well with Whitecourt," he said. "There were no mistakes and they backchecked well."

Ken Laird scored the game winner four minutes into the overtime period with Mark Witheff drawing the assist. Rod Berenluk was sharp in net, according to Sinclair, handling 30 shots on goal.

Blades returned to home ice Friday and easily handed Stettler by a score of 7-1.

"They played well, but not as well as on Thursday—I think they were tired, for one thing. They didn't get back until 4 in the morning," said Sinclair.

Sunday's game with league-leading Rimbey saw Rimbey notch two short-handed goals late in the game to seal the score at 5-1.

"I was totally disappointed. The passing wasn't on at all," remarked Sinclair.

Sinclair added that Blades could have won the game, but failed to execute passes while making too many mistakes.

Blades travel to Barrehead Thursday and return home Friday to take on Hinton.



Greg Tucker challenges Stettler goalie in Brandette Blades' hockey action.

Clippers defeat Rocky

Rose's Well Service Clippers defeated Rocky Mountain House 10-6 in Midget B hockey action Friday.

Dean Humphreys led

the scoring with four goals. Troy Kelly and Dean Mulgrew added two apiece, and Sheldon Dunham and Chad Allen each scored one.

Clippers are in third place and will travel to Edmonton for a weekend tournament. Next home game is Jan. 2.

Bowling update

Bowling results for the week of Nov. 22 to 27 were: LHS Debbie Brigley 311, LHT Laurie Bennisfield 688, LHA Laura Barker 228, MHS Erik Quint 338, MHT Duane Benson 738, MHA Orville Carl 215.

Ladies' league results were: LHS Millie Barker 315, LHT Laura Barker 731, LHA Laura Barker 212.

Golden age bowlers of the week for Wednesday morning were VI Cherrington 68 POA and Robert Elliott 65 POA; Saturday afternoon bowlers of the week were Olga Wanser 56 POA and Adolf Wanser 49 POA.

Baron winners were David Francisson 37 POA and Jodi Lemke 47 POA; Junior winners were Leanne Lasnik 81 POA and David Schwab 129 POA; and Senior winners were Paul Berger 69 POA and Cheri Kallechuk 76 POA.

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Bretton Lion's kick off NWSA racing season

By Mack McCall

The season's first Northwestern Snowmobile Association (NWSA) race, sponsored by the Bretton Lions Club, was held Dec. 11 and 12 on Jackson Lake, near Breton.

There were 150 racers vying for close to \$4,000 in prize money and trophies.

"We had 70 racers last year so we're more than doubled the number of entrants," informed Dennis Carson, secretary of the Bretton Lions Club.

"It should be the annual NWSA Rothmans series kick-off race from here on," he speculated.

Race teams from Calgary and Edmonton took much of the first prize money but some faces from closer to home had respectable showings.

Delbert Duchen of Breton was a money winner in two stock drag categories—drag D and drag E—competing in his first-ever NWSA race.

"It's a little dangerous but not bad," said the 18-year-old rookie.



The racer takes a curve.



Andre Robaert conducts the junior high school band at last Wednesday's concert.

[photo by Kathy Airey]

"I'm going to race the circuit this year, hopefully in oval when I get kids for the machine," a John Deere Trailfire 440.

A four-man Robinson team from Alder Flats were money winners as well. Dave Robinson placed first in Oklahoma and third in stock E. His son Dave had three second place finishes, in stock C, stock E and pro C categories.

"The only class I didn't place was the sprint 540," said the junior Robinson.

"We're working the kinks out of the modified machine," he added, and the team expects it ready for Calgary, the next NWSA Rothmans series event.

Darryl Singel of Drayton Valley and a member of the Robinson team, placed second in amateur B, third in amateur C and first in amateur E.

The Lions made it a weekend of fun with Weiner Roasts on-site, a dinner and dance in Breton Saturday night and an awards presentation following the finals Sunday.

"Jackson Lake is the first in our Rothmans series of six races," explained Dave Purlinger of Rothmans.

We assist in other NWSA races at Hobbema, Wetaskiwin and Calgary," he added.



The Recipe Corner

by Wendy Thomson

The rate I'm going with my Christmas baking, I might not get any fruit cake done this year. However, I have a couple of leaves of the following recipe in the freezer (one half-extended) and it seems to be quite acceptable to the family.

Christmas Loaf

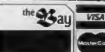
Ingredients: 2½ cups flour; 1 cup sugar; 1 tsp. baking powder; 1 tsp. baking soda; 2 tsp. cinnamon; ½ tsp. salt; 3 eggs; ¼ cup oil; ¼ cup milk; 2 cups shredded carrots; 1½ cup coconut; ¼ cup raisins; ½ cup chopped pecans.

Beat eggs well. Add milk and oil. Mix dry ingredients into large bowl. Add egg mixture, then stir in remaining ingredients. Pour into two oiled loaf pans and bake at 350 degrees for 90 to 100 minutes. Remove and cool. This loaf keeps well in the fridge for several weeks.

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Lighting is important to television filming

By Carrie Duerksen
Work Experience Student

Through the Work Experience Program at Frank Maddock High School I had the opportunity to visit the QTV Cablevision's production facilities in Edmonton last week.

Production manager Wendy Oughtred met me in the morning and I spent the day viewing the behind-the-scenes activities of a television station.

We began with a visit to the studio. This is a sound proof room where all "live" filming is done. Three different types of lights hang from the ceiling with separate functions. The key lights are directed onto the subject's face, back lights are shown from behind the person so the camera can distinguish the person from the background. The fill lights are softer and are used to prevent shadows. Two large cameras were sitting towards one side of the room. Lights are an important part of filming because cameras only see in two dimensions.

The prop room was our next destination where the backgrounds used for the shows are kept. She explained how risers are placed underneath the set. They're used to bring the people on the set up to camera level.

The control room is manned by a switcher. He or she is in charge of getting commercials on at the right time, as well as putting borders around the picture to be shown on T.V. They also inform the cameramen when they are filming something so they know which camera is on the subject.

The edit room is one of the most necessary parts of the station. All the film that has been shot is taken apart and pieced together here. It has to be done in a way that won't be obvious and makes sense.

This is all done through a machine that electronically changes the film. None of the film is actually cut. Virtually all the film that is shot goes through this process except anything that is being shown "live."

A producer explained that she is allowed to produce a program on anything she wants as long as it does not go over budget. She is in charge of setting up the whole operation.

Idea for shows sometimes come from people

who come into the station and feel they have a legitimate point they want to get across to the community.

After the tour, I began to observe the facilities in actual production. I watched a video that Work Experience students from Edmonton high schools had made. They discussed the tape with a station worker as to what could have been done to improve it and what was done wrong.

The last thing I saw was a deaf interpreter doing the news. The actual newscast was not done,

it was just the TV news but the interpreter was filmed in the QTV studio while the other news was on. The news with the interpreter was broadcast on Channel 10.

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Excitement was almost too much

By Greg Harris

A capacity crowd jammed Frank Maddock High School Rec Plex Dec. 9 to watch their favorite television stars of Stampede Wrestling do battle both inside and outside of the ring.



Unidentified wrestler gingerly tows his opponent to the mat.

An entourage of 16 "athletes" entertained a mostly teenage crowd with mat-slaming take-downs, hair-raising kidney punches, and heart stopping eye-pokes.

The first bout saw world mid-heavyweight champion Great Gama take no number three ranked Davey Boy Smith.

Gama, a favorite with the crowd, took control early in the match and had Smith nearly pinned on several occasions. Smith tenaciously struggled back and battered Gama into what appeared to be a hopeless situation. Gama reached deep within himself and found untapped reserves of strength and courage and eventually triumphed.

The remaining five bouts followed the same format.

The climax of the evening was a no-holds-barred, six-man, tag-team match featuring almost too much excitement for the noisy crowd to bear.

The gymnasium trembled as "savants" pitted raw strength against raw strength, raw technique against raw technique, and raw determination against raw determination, and raw willpower against raw willpower.

It was an emotionally draining experience for spectators, and as they filed out, it appeared as though they enjoyed every minute of it.



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Drayton Valley Derrick Mall 542-3050

Welfare case-loads are increasing locally

By Greg Harris

Canada's dismal economic climate has taken its toll in Drayton Valley. The area social services office reports the number of people requiring welfare subsidies has increased five-fold in the last year with increased marital discord, child neglect, and alcoholism among the human costs.

"If things continue this way it's going to be a very hard winter," says Donna Rossak, social worker for a 750 square mile area.

"Some days are so busy we can't handle all the people coming in," she adds. While the number of people on welfare fluctuates, Rossak says the local office has been handling around 200 to 300 case loads per month. "Drayton is in such a slump right now that the caseloads keep increasing ... and there is an increase in people going on assistance who've never been on it before," she says.

Drayton Valley RCMP detachment also reports a heavier workload stemming from the

tough economic times.

"The slower the economy the more third-generated files we deal with," says Corporal Tom Turner.

On the other hand, he notes the depressed oil industry reduces the number of calls associated with transient traffic, such as bar brawls.

RCMP work in close consultation with the Social Services office and assist in mental health and child negligence cases when needed.

"With the cutbacks I don't think we have the staffing to meet the needs of the area. We're only able to touch the surface of a large area. We can't do as effective a job," says Rossak.

The local office employs one child welfare worker two days a week out of Spruce Grove, and according to Rossak, he deals with a heavy caseload as well.

A lot of the child welfare cases are connected with the economy, and we have a large number for this area," she says.

The office has been without a mental health counsellor since June, compounding the office's heavy workload.

Rossak adds it's impossible to be a social worker "without being frustrated."

Water and sewer rates to rise

Town council passed a motion to increase by 12 per cent, water and sewer rates in Drayton Valley.

"We've had major capital expenditures in sewer and water servicing," said Mayor Bob Mayhew.

"There is a need for

more revenue and rather than get the money other ways, we should generate the funds from users of the system."

The mayor said when a user joins the system, he begins to pay for it but those not enjoying sewer and water service from the town should be

free of paying for it. Jim Wolff argued, saying in times of fiscal restraint a 12 per cent increase seems out of line.

Bob Booth agreed with Wolff but expressed concern regarding present water and sewer standards in the

town.

"We are not up to standards, in fact are dangerously behind, so we need capital and therefore I have to support the motion to increase rates."

The motion was opposed by Wolff and Olsen.

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Santa's Anonymous list is still growing



Drayton Valley Legion employees Kerri Turner (left) and Cathy Puhlet display Santa's Anonymous gifts.

Drayton Valley Santa's Anonymous charity drive is in full swing with less than 10 days left until Christmas.

"I think it's going to come along a lot better now," says organizer Linda Thompson. "I feel better about it this week than I did."

Many donations to the \$800 mark thus far, about \$1,000 shy of last year's total donations, according to Thompson.

The list of needy

families stands at 81 and is still growing, she says.

Cheques may be made out to Santa's Anonymous, and those knowing of a needy family are invited to contact Betty Bouchard at the Community Health Unit.

Parcels may be dropped off in containers stationed at the Legion Lounge, Royal Bank, Treasury Branch, Skid Shack, Toronto-Dominion Bank, IGA

and Fields.

They also mark them 'boy' or 'girl' and the age group for which they are intended.

Thompson asks that if people wrap their gifts

Capping—

(Continued from page 1)

fire. The capping bowl is the piece of equipment to which the blowout preventer (BOP) will be attached.

Heat shields will also be placed over the trench and the next phase of the operation will be started.

It will involve cutting the casing once again and the installation of a new casing bowl.

It will be in this new casing bowl that a BOP will be attached. Following that the flame will be diverted to a flare pit away from the wellhead and mud will be pumped down the well to kill it.

Sour Gas There ARE Questions That Need To Be Answered

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Curling entrants have Dec. 23 deadline

The children's Christmas party in the Breton Community Centre will be Dec. 18 at 2 p.m. This is sponsored by the Breton Community Club with treats from the Breton Chamber of Commerce.

Tickets for the Breton New Year's Eve dance in the Community Centre will be on sale soon. The dance is sponsored by the Breton Community Club. The Breton Elementary School held its annual Christmas concert on the afternoon of Dec. 7, with a good attendance.

Mayor Colleen Lee, on behalf of the county, presented a 10-year pin to Eugene Poholka; 15-year pin to Ellie Evans and Winnie Landels; and a 30-year pin to Betty Paikstat.

The Grade 6 class presented a play, *Tom Sawyer*. The two glue clubs at the school sang several songs.

One class did a square dance, another played futes and yet another had a rhythm band. The Grade 3 class sang a song that Gwen Hooks, a substitute teacher, wrote last year, entitled, *Breton, Breton, Alberta*.

School will be out on Friday, Dec. 17 for these students and they return Monday, Jan. 3.

Jodi Hedlund and Wayne Sweet were recently engaged. Jodi is the daughter of Wayne and Alene Hedlund of Carwood and Wayne is the son of Leo



Breton News

by Lois Dyck
536-2354

Sweet of Breton. Jim Clark is a patient in Breton General Hospital.

Entries must be made before Dec. 23 for any curlers wishing to be included in round robin curling for both ladies' and open leagues, which will begin in January. For more information contact Judy at 696-2485 or Joan at 696-3659.

Thank You

The Shangri-La Social Club wishes to thank everyone who donated baking or helped to make our bazaar the success it was.

1st prize (Afghan) - D. Nicholas
2nd prize (set of dishes) - Linda McGinn
3rd prize (beaded basket) - Mr. Drew

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year. Thanks again Shangri-La Social Club. Matty Bruce, President, Albert Schick, Treasurer, Mary Annette - Co-ordinator.

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Thurs., Dec. 16th - Livestock Horse Sale, 8 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 17th - Special stock sales and live and horse sales, 1 p.m.
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Tomahawk's potluck supper a success

The Firemen's community Christmas concert is Dec. 17, United Church services will be held Dec. 19 in the club room at 7 p.m.

Holiday worship times at the Lutheran Church are Dec. 24, 8 p.m., Christmas Eve candlelight service; Dec. 25, 10 a.m., Christmas day service; and Dec. 31, 8 p.m., New Year's Eve service.

Cornie Ranch held its Christmas party this year in the school gym Dec. 10.

Attendees were Mr. and Mrs. Don Cornie, two of their sons, Bruce and Neil, employees, friends and ranch neighbors.

About 60 people attended the Silver Top's



Tomahawk News

by Evelyn Lukaniuk
339-3567

Christmas turkey and pot luck dinner Dec. 12 in the club room.

Bertha Rabe, Lawrence Sauve, Mr. and Mrs. Overbe, Marion Jones, Gertrude Solomon, Mrs. Simon, Carl Goetz, Stella Jonsson and Frieda Reich were seated at the head table.

Adelle Stumbe brought the birthday cake and Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Hooper of England left funds when they were here, for strawberries and ice cream. A Christmas card was signed by all present to be sent to the Hoopers.

Rainer Brower and Frieda Sauve were the door prize winners. After dinner the Lutheran choir, accompanied by Rev. Sallach, sang several hymns. Olga Richter, who lived here many years ago, and Lydia Reich's mother, Mrs. Simon, who recently came from Germany, were in attendance.

Farmers, small businesses receiving cheques as of Nov. 26

Al "Boomer" Adair, Minister of Tourism and Small Business, and Lennox Fyfe, Minister of Agriculture, announced recently the first cheques representing payments approved under the Alberta

Heritage Fund Small Business and Farm Interest Shielding Program were mailed to applicants commencing Nov. 26.

Applications have been available at all

Alberta to seek financing for plan

Leo Hyndman, provincial treasurer, confirmed recently that Alberta will be seeking loans to raise funds in the Canadian public bond market.

Borrowers will be the Alberta Municipal Financing Corporation (AMFC) and the Alberta

Government Telephones Commission (AGT). The need to borrow flows from policy decisions taken to stimulate the Alberta economy through the Alberta Economic Renaissance Plan.

The Oil and Gas Activity Program, the Mortgage Interest, the Small Business and

Health and other services, only 15 per cent (rather than the current 30 per cent) of non-renewable resource revenues will be transferred to the Heritage Fund for the two fiscal years commencing April 1, 1983.

This use of the Heritage Fund as a temporary rainy day fund to assist Albertans to recover from the current economic downturn.

Small businesses or farms potentially eligible for the program must:

- be generating less than \$5 million total annual revenue;
- be in business before Sept. 1, 1982 and still in operation;
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The acute section of the new hospital is expected to be closed by mid-January. (photo by Stuart Adams)

Fifty employed at hospital

By Stuart Adams

After seven months of construction, management personnel at the site of the Drayton Valley General Hospital are optimistic the project will be completed on time. "Construction is moving along very well," said Norm Fontaine, clerk of works—the on-site representative of the hospital board.

The hospital was started May 17 of this year by Cavan Construction and has a 24-month completion date.

Fred Wormald, superintendent for the company, explained the project is being treated as two buildings. He referred to the hospital facility as the "acute section," and the nursing home as the "non-acute section."

"The acute is larger and by far more complex," he said, adding it will comprise about 70 per cent of

the project and contain all the mechanical rooms and equipment.

Wormald expected the acute section would be closed in by the middle of January and the structural steel for the non-acute portion would be in place by the end of this week.

Closing in the acute section will allow workers to continue through the winter on the interior in all but the worst conditions. He added work on the non-acute section will go on as weather permits.

The men expect to employ about 50 workers over the winter. "We're using as much local help as we can find," added Wormald, "but there are few trades which we have to bring in people for."

He added the company is purchasing as many materials as it can from local suppliers.



Bev Guyon gives the okay on a "shot" at the hospital site. (photo by Stuart Adams)

Frank Maddock addition well under construction

By Mark McGill
Construction at Frank Maddock High School is proceeding slightly behind schedule, slowed by a late start on excavating.

"There's no snags to comment about but excavating took longer than expected," admitted Barry Locher, site superintendent for Orkade Construction.

"Cold weather boardings took time to build

and are slower to work in.

"Also, pouring concrete in the winter can be a problem, with frost to work around," explained Locher.

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Features

The Western Review, Drayton Valley, Alta., Wednesday, December 15, 1982

Piece by piece, his dream is assembled



Bambush bought electronic gear in 1973.

Orvis Bambush's airplane building project is nine years in the works, and counting. His F-51D replica (two-thirds to scale) Mustang fighter plane is hand-made and Bambush visits daily, putting together his dream in a hangar at Drayton Valley Airport.

"It's like building a model airplane, only on a larger scale," explains Bambush, "and a little more expensive."

He records the building process on film. Photo albums show him putting pieces made from scratch into place and, gradually, a high performance aircraft emerges.

"I figured to buy many components in the U.S. but I could never find any," laments Bambush, adding he was able to buy landing gear and a belly scoop.

"I must have spent \$4,000 on long distance phone calls, chasing down parts I didn't get."

"I did get a motor from California as well, but the rest I made myself."

The original design came from France during World War II and was shipped to America for modifications and mass production.

The French designer used metric measurements, the Americans didn't convert them," so Bambush had to adapt to using the metric scale. His replica is made from laminates and birch plywood whereas the original was metal frame and metal sheeting.

"The F-51D Mustang was a heavy airplane, especially when fully armed. My wooden design will be much lighter because it's smaller and it's not armed with four 50 calibre and bombs."

Bambush described his plane as being a complex aircraft. "... one I certainly wouldn't attempt to build again and one I wouldn't recommend to another first-time hobby builder."

"Prior to one inhibitor. In 1973 I bought \$6,000 worth of electronics and radio equipment—it would cost \$18,000 today."

And much of the complexity results from the electronics.

The joy stick will be circuitted to respond in 17 different positions. This machine will have full instrumentation with some personal touches, such as electronic flap adjustment indicators for night landing.

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The replica is powered by an Olds F-45, 255 h.p. engine, designed by Skylark of San Francisco especially for high performance single-engine aircraft.

He had tried for months to buy an English engine before hearing about the California manufacturer.

"The American engine was a fraction of the cost but I think those overseas phone bills ate up the difference anyway."

Bambush figures his F-51D to fly at 200 mph-plus and that he needs a lot of preparation before taking it up.

"It's a very high performance aircraft. I hope it can perform to my expectations, otherwise I'm stuck with a \$45,000 weather-vane," he adds wryly. As for completion dates, Bambush remains vague.

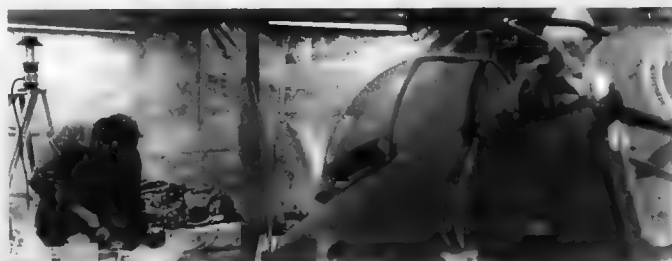
"I've been working on this thing for nine years and I'm a long way from done."

"It'll be finished when it's finished."

Story and photos by Mack McColl



Bambush takes a short rest to pose beside the F-51D Mustang.



He toils daily, putting together his dream in a hangar at Drayton Valley Airport.

Alder Flats junior high school in tournament

By Bernice Johnson

The Alder Flats Blatman team, with coach Richard Russell, played at Drayton Valley Nov. 30, and best them 7-4.

David Watson was goal, Calvin Janke got a hat trick and one assist, Darva Becker one goal and one assist, Wayne Machorsky one goal and one assist, Dwayne Maclean one goal and two assists, Alan Kramer one goal and Vernon Johnson had one assist.

Wayne Machorsky received two penalties, Dallas Sargeant one and Larry Janke took a two-minute penalty.

William Zukowski spent Nov. 2 to 26 in hospital at Rimbey and Red Deer.

During the time William was in the hospital, Mary spent a week with her cousin, Jean Machchuk at Red Deer.

The senior citizens had a successful tea Nov. 24.

Debbie Johnson from Hawaii arrived home Dec. 2.

Dexter Johnson, who also spent the past several months in Hawaii, was home for a few days.

Jerry, Cynthia and Jessica Johnsons moved back to Edmonton after living in British Columbia the past three years.

Margie Hammond is recuperating following surgery at the University Hospital Nov. 22.

Another recent hospital patient was Art Drider, who spent a few days in the Rimbey Hospital.



Alder Flats News

by Bernice Johnson

The Christmas hymn sing at the Covenant Church on Sunday evening was well attended. Sherry Hoffman, a 15-year-old Grade 10 Alder Flats student, read a poem she composed, entitled A Prayer Beyond Your Touch.

Doug and Lori Maclean are the parents of a baby son, Christopher Cody, born Nov. 28 in the Drayton Valley Hospital, weighing 7 lbs., 13 ozs. Grandparents are Al and Connie Maclean and Harmon and Edna Swep.

The junior high boys and girls participated in a volleyball tournament in Wetaskiwin Nov. 23, with 16 teams participating.

The boys placed third in the tournament. Bob McEwen coaches the boys' team of Dallas Sargeant, captain, Garth Parker, Lindsay Miller, Greg Miller, Vern Johnson, Jay L. Hammond, Scott Howan, Kelly Schneider, David Watson, Brian

Carriere, Nyle Clemmer, Ross Alcock and Calvin Janke.

Although the girls didn't end up in the playoffs in Wetaskiwin, they did make it to the playoffs in their five-team league which was played at Winfield Nov. 30, placing third.

Larry Fisk coaches the girls, with Tammy Russell captain, Leanne Oettinger, Colleen Siegel, Leah Parker, Sophia Stank, Janet Moody, Colleen Kury, Samantha Russell, Julie Wolen and Mary Graf.

The senior high girls, coached by Neil Markham, won their games at Winfield, Breton and Warburg, which qualified them to play in the zones at Rosedale in November.

The team included Cheryl Wachter, captain, Peggy Miller, Rosalynn Zelenko, Lori Murray, Denise Johnson, Tamie Sargeant, Colleen Becker and Sonya Stank.

Gordon and Lorretta Schneider celebrated their silver wedding anniversary Nov. 12, with a celebration at the Legion Hall.

John Capasnik spent a week in the Red Deer Hospital and was released Nov. 27 to attend the wedding of his step-daughter, Brenda Wolf. He is now back in the Red Deer Hospital.

New restrictions limit library withdrawals



Between The Covers

By Lela Peterson

The present library policy states "There are no restrictions on the number of books borrowed,

providing the patron uses common sense and does not infringe upon the rights of other borrowers."

Due to increased demand on the library's resources, it has been necessary to place a

restriction limit on the number of children's books being signed out.

Effective immediately, a patron or family may borrow a limit of 12 children's books at any given time.

The restriction is necessary as library stock and selection is being depleted; large numbers of books being signed out or returned in bunches creates major traffic jams at the desk; and the public library cannot meet the total reading material needs of private groups.

The library will be closed Friday, Dec. 24, Saturday, Dec. 25, Monday, Dec. 27 and Monday, Jan. 3.

Student at random

Drayton Valley native has ideas for town

By Carrie Dusterholt

Work Experience Student

Anna Nagy is a Grade 9 sports enthusiast. She played school volleyball when the season was on and plans to join the basketball team. She also enjoys playing badminton and skiing.

Gym is Anna's favorite subject at the H.W. Park Junior High School and she feels that school is "Okay, I guess."

When asked for suggestions on how to improve school, she said "no tests and I wish the teachers would be nicer because they're always getting mad because I don't have my homework done."

"It's fun, there are lots of activities," she went on to say on a more positive note.

Anna usually gets along with her two sisters, Shelly and Michelle, although "sometimes they fight." She has lived in Drayton Valley all of her 15 years. She says "It's a nice town."

"I'd like the stores to be open more often and I'd like more indoor activities," she suggested, on

how to improve the town.

At Christmas "relatives from Saskatchewan are coming here," she explained. Clothes, jewellery, a camera, a purse and a car are all on Anna's Christmas list. She feels she has a good chance of getting everything "except the car."

When she's finished school, Anna hopes to "find a job." She'd like to become a waitress or a secretary. Continued schooling does not seem to interest her school, she said "I'm not going to university, I might go to college."

Kim Berquist is Anna's best friend and they go shopping, skiing, go to shows and swim in the summer. She says she doesn't have an actual boyfriend, "he's just a friend."

She would not reveal her friend's name. Anna doesn't have many hobbies. However, she does enjoy drawing cartoons. "I got comic books and just start drawing," she said.

"Sometimes I draw cartoons of people I don't like," she finally admitted, after some prying.

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Alberta government out to provide jobs

By Geoff White and Kevin Petersen
Alberta's soaring unemployment figures have prompted the government to substantially increase its regular winter work program.

November's unemployment rate was 9.7 per cent, representing more than 114,000 jobsless, the highest percentage of out-of-work Albertans since the Great Depression.

Convinced by the figures, Manpower minister Ernie Eby announced an allocation of \$29.5 million to this year's Priority Employment Program (PEP) in an effort to create 7,000 temporary jobs between now and April.

The amount is up markedly from last year when \$3 million was spent on PEP, creating 792 jobs.

PEP is one of several short-term programs attempting to provide jobs to a workforce once accustomed to severely full employment.

About \$250 million has been spent in the last eight months under the province's one-time-only oil well drilling and servicing program. That plan is to repay Dec. 31.

Also, about \$40 million was allocated to winter highways work to keep many heavy equipment operators on the job.

Even with an additional \$50 million promised by Ottawa for job creation in Alberta, the rest of the winter will be a hard one for many Albertans.

The rising unemployment rate challenges Premier Peter Lougheed's contention during the election campaign that the economy was rapidly improving.

The economic upturn forecast by Lougheed has yet to begin.

Last spring the premier announced the Alberta economic resurgence plan which included major increases in government spending on buildings and roads and major tax cuts for the oil and gas industry.

Activity in the oil patch appears to have increased moderately, but there are no signs that the private sector is going to make up the construction work force that has been kept on the job by government projects.

In preparing its spring budget the government will have to decide whether to continue high capital spending in an effort to employ a large construction work force.

Lougheed, however, that it is not possible to maintain high levels of capital spending forever.

While PEP was previously used only for jobs in the public sector, the revamped program announced by Lougheed has been extended to private businesses.

Small firms that keep as many as three employees who would otherwise be laid off will be eligible for grants of up to \$2.50 per hour per worker.

The 1982 Safe Driver of the Year award went to Otto Stordalsvoll of the Violet Grove area.

A resident of Drayton Valley, he was named Constantine Glitter, who administered this year's program.

"I followed Otto from Drayton Valley to his home three miles west of Violet Grove," said Glitter.

"After the surveillance, I confirmed the registration and ownership by radio and recorded my impressions of his driving habits."

Glitter went into different areas each day, using the same procedure in search of the safest driver. His patrols were done the week of Dec. 1 to 7, is an unmarked grey Plymouth.

"By the end of the week, I figured Otto was the safest."

Stordalsvoll has driven since 1951, all accident-free years and without ever having been charged under the Highway Traffic Act.

"This was my first ticket," added Stordalsvoll. "I knew something was up when I got home and watched the grey car drive slowly past my driveway," but he wasn't sure it was good news until they called him at work's end.

He and his wife will enjoy dinner for two compliments of a Drayton Valley dining lounge.

Glitter said the Canada Safety Council offers guidelines to various projects for Safe Driving Week, "and we've chosen this program two years now."

He added it's good public relations, used to create safety awareness going into the holiday season.



Constantine Glitter presents Otto Stordalsvoll with the Safe Driver Award.

Nutmeg and mace had medical reputation

By Linda Giroux

It has been said that you can judge the quality of a man's mind by his bookshelf, and the quality of a woman's cooking by her spice shelf.

Of the spices, nutmeg and mace come from the same tree. The nutmeg

in the hard seed, and the mace one of the seed coatings produced by an overgreen native to the Moluccas, India and Grenada.

They were introduced to Europe in the 16th century, but were very rare until the Moluccas were discovered by the Dutch in the 16th century.

Nutmeg and mace then became standard delicacies in royal diets.

At one time both nutmeg and mace had a reputation in medicine as being good for the brain and affording protection against epidemics of the plague.

A common Christmas custom was to give a nutmeg mace to a girl named nutmeg.

In cooking, mace is used in hard fish sauces, stews, oyster stew and scalloped fish to cut the oiliness and improve flavor in whipped cream.

and salad dressing; in cream sauce for vegetables, and in creamed eggs.

Nutmeg is used as topping for eggplants and custards, and in rice puddings, creamed vegetable soup and chicken soup, in the crust of meat pies, in stews, fish cakes and casseroles, dusted on fruit salad and cauliflower, splash, squash and cream sauce.



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Cubmaster moves on

Denton ends three years of service

By Greg Harris
Drayton Valley Cub and Scouts bid farewell to Cubmaster Dwight Denton at a special

Bowlers send pins flying

In weekly league action

Bowling results for the week of Nov. 27 to Dec. 4 were: LHS Wanda Cole 281, LHT Shirley Borley 710, LHA Laura Barker 218, MHS Basil Bart 251, MHT Orville Carl 744, MHA Orville Carl 217.
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Depleting resources are governed by supply and demand

By John Gerasim

To suggest that the world no longer has an oil problem is to subscribe to a triumph of hope over experience.

The hope appears to be that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) cannot survive, that an international oil glut is an enduring phenomenon and that world oil prices are on a downward trend.

While these elements are true at the moment, experience suggests such trends are transitory and that, in the final analysis, a valuable commodity derived from a depleting resource is destined to be

governed by the rule of supply and demand. And, when supply and demand, political and social factors can be introduced into the pricing formula.

In early November, Alberta Anton Jr., a partner in a prominent New York banking firm, told an American Stock Exchange symposium in Calgary that western countries could find themselves in a very difficult position over oil supplies by the end of the 1980s.

He also suggested that the abandoned or postponed North American energy mega-projects will increase dependence on OPEC crude oil supplies in the months and years ahead. Mr. Anton

is not alone in that view, and he is one of many knowledgeable men and women who are aware of our growing dependence.

Perhaps it was Clifford Garvin Jr., chairman of the Exxon Corporation, whom summed up the problem best in these words: "As oil glut that depends on lasting security in the Middle East for its survival has to be regarded with at least some skepticism."

Crude oil is today, and will continue to be, an essential fuel for the industrialized world. Between 1974 and 1980, oil's share of the world's energy market dropped by only two percentage points to 44 per cent.

In 1981, crude oil accounted for about 38 per cent of all the energy used in this country. And by 1990, despite the best efforts of conservation programs and conversion incentives, it is predicted that oil will account for at least 25 per cent of the nation's energy needs. In terms of actual amounts of oil, forecasts believe Canada during the 1980s will use at least the same amount annually as it does today.

Number of active rigs doubled

John Zandry, minister of Energy and Natural Resources, announced recently that total applications for grants under the well servicing and development drilling incentive programs now exceed \$125 million.

This figure includes \$153 million for development, drilling incentives and \$62 million for well servicing incentives.

The number of active rigs has increased from less than 150 in August, 1982, to about 300 in mid-November, or about 75 per cent of the total rig capacity in Alberta.

It is estimated that approximately 50 per cent of the development wells drilled since mid-August would otherwise not have been drilled without the availability of these grants.

Zandry indicated he anticipates the momentum achieved in the last quarter of 1982 will continue into the new year, when much of the exploration drilling is carried out in the less accessible northern and western areas of the province.

He noted that the longer term stability of these industries depends on availability of markets for oil

and especially natural gas production and on the ability of Alberta's petroleum industry to find and develop new reserves.

The well servicing incentive program was approved as part of the Alberta oil and gas industry plan announced in April, 1982. A fund of \$250 million was set aside to provide 50 per cent of the cost of servicing and maintaining conventional oil and natural gas wells, to a maximum of \$75,000 per well.

The program's objective was to assist the province's petroleum service companies through a difficult period, when conventional drilling activity was down due to cash flow problems. The program originally was to end Oct. 31, 1982, but subsequently was extended to Dec. 31, 1982.

The development drilling incentive system was implemented in mid-August, 1982, in response to concerns about the short-term prospects of the drilling industry. The program was established to provide, in the form of cash grants, about 30 per cent of the cost of drilling development footage in conventional oil and natural gas wells up to 10,000 feet in Dec. 31, 1982.

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December 5-BEARLE, Tonya, Alder Flats, girl, 3450 grams, 7 lbs., 9 ozs.

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December 6-RINAS, Terry and Nancy, Drayton Valley, girl, 3340 grams, 7 lbs., 5 ozs.

December 7-ALD RICH, Robert and Susan, Drayton Valley, boy, 3750 grams, 8 lbs., 4 ozs.

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Historical artifacts and books slated for display

By Edith Dohy

Gale Kusio, Allan Poleway, Randy Bannard and Don McLean returned recently from a nine-day stay in Jamaica where they attended a three-day rock concert and attained noteworthy sunbaths.

Robert Surpore left recently for a six-month tour of Australia.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Berlinguette will leave next week for St. John's, Newfoundland, to spend the holiday season with their daughter and son-in-law, Marie and Mike Cosner.

The Historical Society held its last meeting of the year in the County Building Nov. 23. Space has been rented for a display of small artifacts and old and rare books.

Hospital Auxiliary meets for work and play

By Edith Dohy

The annual meeting and Christmas party for the Hospital Auxiliary was held at the home of Jim and Vi Koshmstedt, Dec. 9 with 17 members present.

Marlene Samis gave a comprehensive report on the business of the hospital convention held in Calgary earlier this month. Suggestions were brought back for ideas that would add to patient comfort.

A hospital auxiliary spoon is to be sent to Virginia Munro in recognition of her many contributions to the work of the auxiliary.

Arvid Erickson and Leslie Tucker are making some display cases at present, and George Gustafson has been moving furniture from one site to another.

Earl Thompson has in his possession the first public projector used for movies in Drayton Valley. It was donated by the late Eric Edholm to the Elks Lodge, and will be on loan to the society.

A society member will be present from 1 to 3 on Wednesday afternoon at the Arts and Crafts Centre to talk to anyone interested.

Family and friends of Frances Lainsbury gathered at the Wishing Well Apartments Dec. 12 to honor her on the occasion of her 80th birthday.

Out-of-town family members included Thelma

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Seniors crowd into centre for dinner and whist party

By Hazel Winfield

Chip Lake 4-H Club will hold a baby sale in the Wildwood Library Dec. 18 from 1 to 4 p.m. Sales will be there, too.

Over 60 people attended a pot luck supper put on by the Tan Van Transportation Society Dec. 4 in Heritage House. The keys of Tan Van II were turned over to the executive of the Transportation Society.

Gold medal for Evansburg skaters

By Allen Grant

Figure skater Crystal Kaminski of Evansburg and her partner Tim Eckert of Drayton Valley won the gold medal in the juvenile dance competition at the Alberta and Northwest Territories sectional championships in Edmonton Dec. 2 at the Mill Woods Arena.

The Pembina Horticulture 16A Tractor Club has delivered the 1983 telephone directories in the villages of Evansburg and Enfield. Anyone who has not received a book should phone 727-2221.

Wildwood News

The senior citizens dinner held Sunday in the Community Hall was attended by over 100 seniors.

The dinner was supervised by the ladies of the Ravine Community Association, with other organizations helping to serve the dinner.

A large crowd attended carol singing and nine readings of Christmas held at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Evansburg the evening of Dec. 6.

The Evansburg Volunteer Fire Department held its annual Christmas supper at the Pembina Diner Dec. 4.

Members returned to the home of Howard Walker for viewing the premiere of their film "Where Did We Go Wrong?"

Sunshine Lodge staff and residents' supper will be held at the Lodge Dec. 17.

The door prizes were won by Stan Ciesewski and Mr. A. Winfield. Elmer Riehl, master of ceremonies, read a poem entitled, "Are You an Oldtimer?"

Gladya Onizime and her group entertained and carols were sung with everyone joining in.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Thadell were congratulated on their 25th wedding anniversary. Their 50th anniversary celebration was the first party to be held in the Senior Citizens Centre.

Bible study takes place every Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Senior Citizens Centre.

The Senior Citizens Centre was crowded Dec. 8 with members attending the dinner. Door prize winners were Ann Ahlberg, Rib Bond and Jane McColman. June 15 read a poem given to her by Mrs. Raby, entitled, "A Little Mired Up." The evening ended in a whist party.

The Wildwood Agriculture Society held its annual meeting in the Family Complex Dec. 8. President is Ernie Vankosky, vice-president is Allen Chavay and second vice-president is Marge Russell, treasurer is Darlene Kawrnt, with Anna Hisholman secretary and Caroline Russell being coordinator.

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Read the warranty before buying to find out what service is available and if scheduled maintenance is required to keep the warranty coverage valid.

If the parcel must be at its destination by a specified date, make that a condition of the contract

God does not force Himself on anyone

By Bonnie Kerr

Math has always been a problem for me and the appearance of calculators hasn't helped a bit. Through the years I've really had to work at math. The harder I worked the more I thought I had mastered. Then the new math came along and I decided enough was enough!

A lot of people view God's plan for our salvation in the same way. They think if they work really hard to stop smoking, drinking, swearing or losing their temper, go to church and give to the poor they have mastered this salvation bit. However, the pressure of following all the "do's and don'ts" soon leads right back to the very habits the person is trying to overcome and in total discouragement and frustration he turns away, deciding Heaven must be for others.

Is that the way it is? Do we work our way into Heaven past a God who is trying to shake it as hard as possible for us to get there?

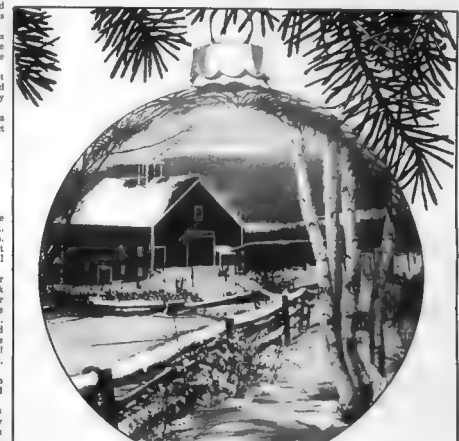
The God I serve isn't that way. His word tells me "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have Eternal Life." John 3:16. God does not force Himself on anyone. To live in opposition to Him is sin and merits death but He offers everyone a free gift of life.

Our Lord said: "Come to me and I will give you rest—all of you who work so hard beneath a heavy yoke." Math. 11:28-1:3.

Christ never said "Straighten up your act, correct your life and then come to Me." He said "Come—just as you are—with all the cares and burdens and imperfections that are yours. I will give you Eternal Life."

A baby does not have to do everything correctly before his parents will accept him. As the child grows he forms a trusting, loving relationship with his parents and they gently challenge him to learn to know to live the fullest, happiest life possible. The child may not follow their advice as he grows older but that is his choice. So it is in the growing relationship between the new Christian and his God.

There are "do's and don'ts" in a life with Christ. I agree with Paul: "Well then, if we are served by faith does this mean we no longer need obey God's laws? Just the opposite. In fact only when we trust Jesus can we truly obey Him." Rom. 8:31 I.B.I. God gives us the desire to live a life with Him and then He stays with us and helps us live that life—Phil. 2:13. This is the God I serve. Do you know Him?



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Almond milk can substitute the real thing

By Linda Givens

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In the Bible, Aaron's rod was cut from an almond tree. Almonds also figured largely in Medieval romance.

In early medicine, almonds, either taken internally or massaged and laid upon the skin, were recommended for taking away spots caused by sunburning. Almonds are still used in some cosmetics.

For heavy drinking, it was claimed that taking five bitter almonds will prevent intoxication.

Almond milk can be made as a beverage or as a milk substitute in cooking. It is especially useful for those allergic to animal milk.

Blend one pound of dry shelled almonds in the blender until they no longer fall to the center. Push them to the center with a knife several times. Add seven tablespoons of sesame or safflower oil. Blend for two more minutes, then add three cups of warm water. More or less water can be used depending on the consistency desired. A tablespoon of syrup and a dash of salt may also be added.

For a dark fruit cake with lots of almonds and walnuts, you will need: 1 lb. butter; 2 cups brown sugar; 10 eggs; 4 cups flour; 5 cups raisins; 3 cups currants; 1 1/4 lbs. cherries; 1/4 cup syrup; 1 tsp. soda; 1 lb. dates; 1 1/4 lbs. fruit

cake mix; 2 cups almonds; 2 cups walnuts; 1 cup nutmeg; 1 cup strong coffee or brandy; and 2 apples, cut up.

Combine the fruit and nuts in a large pan. Cream the butter and sugar well, and add egg yolks. Mix well. Add the flour and liquid alternately to the creamed mixture. Add the fruit and nut mixture, then the apples. Combine the soda and egg whites. Beat until stiff, then fold into the batter. Put into well lined cake pans and bake at 275 degrees F. for 2 1/2 to 3 hours.

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Hudson's Bay Company

THE WESTERN **Review**

Holiday Greetings

1982

What Child is This?

What Child is this, who laid to rest
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

So bring Him incense, gold and myrrh,
Come peasant, king, to own Him:
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts embrace Him
Hail, raise the throne on high:
The Virgin sings her lullaby:
Joy, joy, or Christ is born,
The Babe, the Son of Mary



Angels from the Realm

Angels from the realms of glory
Wing your flight o'er all the earth,
Ye who sing creation's story
Now proclaim Messiah's Birth.
Come and worship
Worship Christ, the new born King
Shepherds in the fields abiding,
Watching o'er their flocks by night,
God with man is now revealing,
Yonder shines the infant light,
Come and worship
Worship Christ, the new born King.
Nave, leave your contemplations
Bright visions beam afar,
Seek the great Desire of nations,
Ye have won the Natal Star.
Come and worship
Worship Christ, the new born King



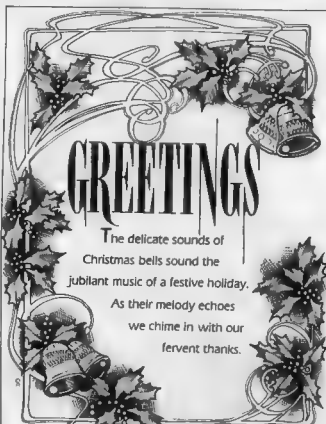
Trevor Scott accepts a gift from Santa during Wednesday's Tiny Tots Skating Club's skate with Santa.



Marion, Rick, Harris,
Pat & Anne
**Plaza
Cleaners**



from all the staff at
Mohawk Propane



Arnold, John, Harvey, Brent, Joe,
Gary, Rob, Darryl, Deb, Randy,
Cathy, Todd, and Ross

Bouchard Electric Ltd.

Christmas concert was hosted by kids

The students of St. Anthony's elementary - junior high school held their annual Christmas concert Dec. 15, before approximately 600 parents and relatives.

Songs, poems and skits entertained the audience for nearly three hours, starting at 7:00PM.

Classes from Grade four to nine sang in large groups and there were quartets and solo artists adding to the program.



A Quartet sings "Nobody" during St. Anthony's Christmas concert.



Linda Thompson, music teacher at St. Anthony's, leads one of the classes through Christmas carols.

I was good

December 1, 1982 been good all year
Dear Santa because I was good
I like to have stomper and a lingo and the stomper is yellow. I Your friend,
Garrett M. Port 2.

Christmas is Here

Our holiday sentiments are built on friendship, trust and appreciation for your kindness. Have a happy



FROM ALL THE STAFF OF
CROWN MART
DRAYTON VALLEY

"Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year"

542-5065



May all things warm and
bright be yours this
Christmas! It's been a
pleasure to serve you!

from the management and staff
Tri Electric Ltd.
542-4212 Drayton Valley



You've made it a pleasure
to be of service to you,
friends and customers!
Here's hoping your
holiday is fantastic!
from the management and staff of

Arrow
WELDING SUPPLIES
542-4464



May all things warm and
bright be yours this
Christmas! It's been a
pleasure to serve you!

from the staff at Drayton Valley
IGA

Santa shouldn't computerize

By Patricia Anderson
Elementary B School

I do not think Santa should computerize because it would wreck the spirit of Christmas. If children found out that Santa was computerized they might not think there is a real Santa Claus because the computer would make all of the toys and all that.

Poor old Santa would not have a job anymore. He would have to retire so would his elves and reindeer too!

Children would not think much of Christmas anymore. All of the letters would be typed and not handwritten, that would not be like Santa.

The computer would have to have a computer wife.

I don't think Santa should computerize.

Sleds
Like
Easy
Joy patches for
Going on
Happy holidays

Darryl Cowie
Grade 6



Ariana Lasser holds up the card on Mrs. Beasley's winning door at Frank Maddock. Evelyn Haight was one of the judges as she looks on.



NOEL

May the radiant light that shone over Bethlehem continue to enlighten the minds and hearts of men everywhere.
May the blessed memory of that first Christmas bring joy and love to everyone.
We add our expressions of thanks to all we have been privileged to serve.

Merry Christmas to all our fine customers
From the Management and staff at

Valley Pontiac Buick GMC

542-5152

Merry Christmas

May this holiday
be filled with
magic moments,
best wishes...
along with our
deepest thanks
for letting us
serve you!



management and staff
R.C. Splicing

Tricky Easter Bunny tangles with Rudolph

By Cory Dusterhadt
Elementary B School

On the day before Christmas, Rudolph (the leading reindeer) was getting in shape because at 1400 hours he would be traveling around the world giving toys to all the good little boys and girls. Just as Rudolph jumped over the only powerpole for 200 kilometres around, the Evil Easter Bunny jumped out with his magic wand and put a spell on Rudolph that made his nose 500 degrees Celsius than usual.

You see, every year just before Christmas time the Easter Bunny tries some mean plan to make Easter come early. The year before this the Easter Bunny had tried to change everybody's calendar to April but somebody caught him.

Whenever Rudolph walked he melted all the snow. Soon Santa Claus woke up from his afternoon nap and called all the reindeer to organize the order in which the reindeer would be set up to the sled. Rudolph came and told Santa what the Easter Bunny had done and begged to take action.

Immediately Santa got all the elves together and organized a search party to find the Easter Bunny. By 8:00 one of three groups of elves found the Easter Bunny and put him in jail. Then they got Rudolph to come to the prison and made the Easter Bunny fix Rudolph's nose.

That night Santa Claus left with Rudolph leading the team giving presents to all the boys and girls. Now they only let the Easter Bunny out of jail at Easter time.



Red Rooster

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Dec. 31 - 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
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Thank You

Merry Christmas a Merry to all

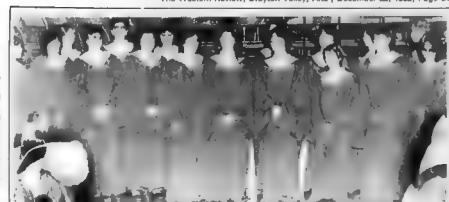


We are happy to serve you all the joys of the season. Please call us today and we'll be glad to help you. Today and always. Thank you all.

from Gunter & Ann Schmidt & staff of

Red Rooster

542-3999



The choral ensemble performed at the Christmas concert at H.W. Pickup Junior High.



Let the world rejoice for the glory that His birth brought to all mankind, the hope and promise of peace that is ours, the love and brotherhood that is for all to share. Christmas today is a reminder of the spirit and message of the very first Noel, when angels and kings exulted in His coming, and the meaning of everlasting faith. May the glorious inspiration of that fabled night refuel warmth and wonder in your hearts as you celebrate Christmas with those you love.

We are pleased to express our
deepest appreciation
for your loyal support.

Century 21

Hi-Point Realty Ltd.



At Christmas Play and
Make Good Cheer, for
Christmas Comes But
Once a Year.

Steven O

HER BLONDE HAIR LAY TOUSLED

Her blonde hair lay tousled across the pillow. Her long dark lashes lay softly against her slightly flushed round cheeks. One arm was flung over the face of the teddy bear which lay beside her. Slowly her eyelids fluttered open; the first rays of winter sunlight had just crept in the bedroom window. Blue eyes began to sparkle with delight. An odorous smile stretched from ear to ear. Quickly covers the were thrown back and teddy was grabbed by the ear as tiny pink slippers enclosed pudgy little feet. Silently she trotted out the door and down the hallway in the quiet stillness of early morning. At the living room entrance she stopped walking, however, her eyes moved throughout the room taking in everything. Presents and more presents heaped under the glittering tree, stockings filled to the brim, and most of all, the huge pink elephant with the big red bow which stared toward her from the other side of the room. All her thoughts were expressed in the one little giggle. Christmas had come at last.

Kathi Jevon
Grade 10
Frank Maddock High School



May the joyous music of
Christmas fill you with
inner peace...love.

**Meier Realty
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Wishing you a
cheer-filled
holiday

Management and start
Bank of Nova Scotia



We're sending out our note of holiday
wishes with thanks to all our friends.
Peter and Mary
**Clean Carpet and Upholstery
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NOEL

We gather
together on
this holiest
of holidays
to bring you
tidings of
comfort & joy!



THE BEN DEJONGE FAMILY
And Staff wish you a very Merry Christmas
and a joyous New Year.
"Thanks for the many fine memories in our past year!
You've not only been customers, you've been friends!"

DEJONGE
BEN'S MEATS & DELICATESSEN

**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

It's that wonderful
time of the year when
everyone is filled with
holiday spirit and
cheer. May we be the
first to wish you a
very merry season.



Barry, Garry and staff
Panky's Consolidated Ltd.

Now Gay Trees Rise
Before Your Eyes,
Abloom With Tempting
Cheer, Blithe Voices
Sing, And Blithe Bells
Ring For Christmastide
Is Here.

Quinn Lemore

Letters from Santa

Santa's Workshop
North Pole
1918 090

We love you too.

Dear Matt,

Thanks for the letter I will try to get you what
you want. With the help of the elves and it might
take a while because there is thousands of other
kids that I have to do. There will be a Christmas
card with the presents. My wife and I are looking
forward to Christmas and so are all the reindeer
and the elves. Merry Christmas Matt.

Yours truly, Santa Claus

Santa's Workshop
North Pole
1918 090

Dear Brian,

I have been watching you and you have been a
good boy this year. I will try to get the speed bike
you want but I can't promise you because I have lots
of children, to give presents to. I will try very hard
to get you it because you have been a very good
boy. Thank you for the letter. I'm glad somebody
writes to me. I'm glad your whole class wrote to me.
Well merry Christmas and don't leave me too much
food because lots of kids are giving me cookies and
stuff. See you later

Yours truly
Santa Claus

Santa's Workshop
North Pole
1918 090

Dear Maria,

Thank you for your
lovely letter you wrote
me. Mrs. Claus always
putting on that Fresh 'n
Fancy make-up and does
the ever look pretty!!

Love from
Santa Claus

Merry Christmas

The key to
our success is
our fine patrons.
There is no more
fitting way
to extend our gratitude
than with a
simple and sincere
"thanks!"

Robert, Linda and staff
Valley Kitchen and Light
Dodson Plaza 942-4466

Merry Christmas

from the Best Sellers

Navis Lafranche, Anita Leyden, Mary Herzog,
Chad Nichols, Maria Swap, John Moody, Jerry
Saunders, Kay Nichols, Frances Pinkowicz,
Maureen Klassen, Carol Giles, Emma Pigeon.
Not in picture: Jerry Rybak, Mike Daviduk, Marilyn
Baird

Through these doors pass the finest people in the
world...our clients...our friends. With appreciation
for your confidence we wish you a Merry
Christmas.

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NATIONAL REAL ESTATE SERVICE Drayton Valley

How Comes Santa Claus
 Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus,
 Right down Santa Claus Lane
 Viens and Illicien, and all the reindeer,
 Pulling upon the reins.
 Singing bells ringing, children singing,
 All is merry and bright.
 So hang your stockings,
 And say your prayers
 Cause Santa Claus comes tonight
 Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus,
 Right down Santa Claus Lane.
 He doesn't run, if you're rich or poor
 He loves you just the same.
 Santa know we're all God's children,
 That makes everything right
 So fill your heart with Christmas cheer,
 Cause Santa Claus comes tonight.
 Here comes Santa Claus, here comes Santa Claus
 Right down Santa Claus Lane.
 He's got a bag full of Christmas toys,
 For the girls and boys again.
 Peace on earth will come to all
 If you just follow the light.
 So let's give thanks to the Lord above,
 Cause Santa Claus comes tonight.



City sidewalks, busy sidewalks dressed in holiday style.
 In the air there's a feeling of Christmas
 Children laughing, people passing,
 Meeting smile after smile
 And on every street corner you hear
 CHORUS
 Silver bells, silver bells,
 It's Christmas time in the city
 Ring a ling, hear them ring,
 Soon it will be Christmas day,
 Sprinkles of street lights, even nightlights,
 Blink a bright red and green,
 As the shoppers rush home with their treasures
 Hear the snow crunch, see the kids bunch.
 This is Santa's big scene,
 And above all this bustle you hear-
 (Repeat Chorus Twice)



Merry Christmas

May your holiday be as cheery as the chime of Christmas bells! Enjoy!

To: My Children, my Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren, Family and All My Friends From: Freddie Hatch



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from
Shirley Cripps

HAVE A JOLLY HOLIDAY IN EVERY WAY!
 Thanks for doing business with us!

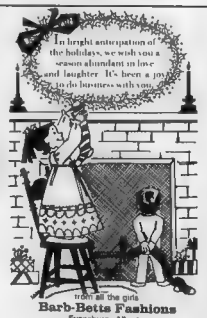


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Greetings

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THE CUSTOM OF EXCHANGING CHRISTMAS CARDS originated in England in 1843, when the first known Christmas card was designed by John Calcutt Hanley. Today, Americans exchange more than three billion cards during the holiday season. Pictured here is "Blast Christmas Wishes," a European print (c. 1890). Courtesy of the Oakland, California Museum.



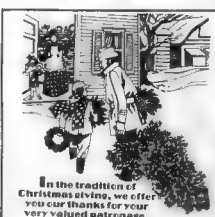
FROM THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF
Ceasar's Inn
 542-4255

JOY at Christmas

Wishing you the pleasures of a real old-fashioned, family holiday. To you and your loved ones, our thanks,
 Shirley and Mattie

Poplar Ridge Grocery

Do You Hear What I Hear?
 Said the night wind to the little lamb,
 Do you see what I see?
 Way up in the sky, little lamb,
 Do you see what I see?
 A star, a star, dancing in the night,
 With a tail as big as a kite,
 With a tail as big as a kite,
 Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy,
 Do you hear what I hear?
 Ringing through the sky, shepherd boy,
 Do you hear what I hear?
 A song, a song, high above the tree
 With a voice as big as the sea,
 With a voice as big as the sea,
 Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king,
 Do you know what I know?
 In your palace warm, mighty king,
 Do you know what I know?
 A child, a child shivers in the cold,
 Let us bring him silver and gold,
 Let us bring him silver and gold
 Said the king to the people everywhere,
 Listen to what I say!
 Pray for peace, people everywhere,
 Listen to what I say!
 The child, the child sleeping in the night,
 He will bring us goodness and light,
 He will bring us goodness and light.



In the traditions of Christmas giving, we offer you our thanks for your very valued patronage.

Happy Holiday!

Management & Staff
L & E OILFIELD SERVICES LTD.



O Christmas Tree
 O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree,
 How faithful are thy branches!
 O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree,
 How faithful are thy branches!
 Green not alone in summer time,
 But in the winter's frost and rain,
 O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree,
 How faithful are thy branches!
 This not alone is summer's shorn,
 Its boughs are hoar, its leaves are green,
 It blooms for us when wild winds blow
 And earth is white with frosty snow.
 A voice tells all its boughs around
 Of shepherd's watch and angel's song:
 O holy Babe in manger low,
 The story of long ago.



Happy Christmas wishes to one and all.
 We hope it's filled with lots of fun!

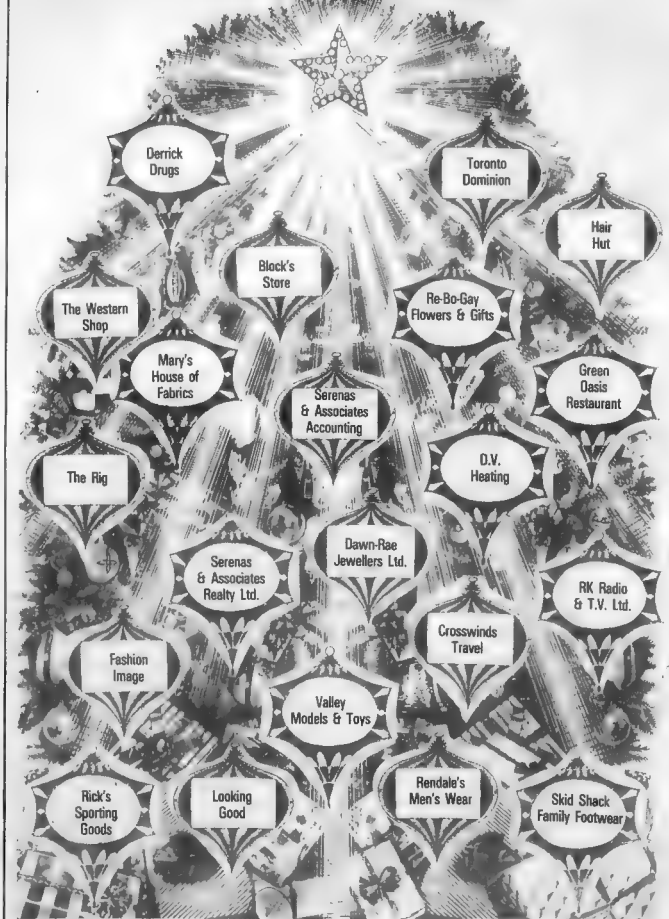
from A.J. Hanson and staff
ROYAL BANK
 serving Alberta

Now that Santa has reappeared it's a perfect time for us to say "thank you" to the many people we've enjoyed serving throughout the year

Bumper to Bumper
 Kek Automotive

SEASON'S GREETINGS

From the Derrick Mall



Mrs. Dekkers class and the second place prize winner in the Frank Maddock door decorating contest.

DID YOU KNOW?

Oh, Beast of Burden
Did you know
What precious being you carried?
A Babe, who as Man
Would change the course
Of history
Forever.

The symbol of
The Greatest Love
That of Sacrifice.
"For God so loved the world,
that he gave his only begotten son."

Ange Scharfenberger
Grade 10
Frank Maddock High School

HAPPY CHRISTMAS



The holidays just wouldn't be complete with
out our message to you. "Have a very merry!"

Jim & Connie Gaudet
Lorrad Oilfield Service Ltd.

WARM WISHES

Hoping every one of our friends is snowed under with joy and merriment. We send warm thanks this frosty holiday.

Darwin, Reg, Jack and Ray
George's Propane Services (1980) Ltd.

May the radiance of Christmas lead you to joy and peace everlasting. Gratefully, we extend our season's greetings.

From Council and Employees

 **COUNTY OF PARKLAND NO. 31**

a Moment to Share

As you and those you hold dear gather in the warm embrace of the holidays, we extend our thanks and warm wishes for your happiness all the days of Christmas

Special thanks to our friends & patrons
From the management and staff of
ANDERSON SAND & GRAVEL

Angels

Angels singing
in the Heaven
to create a music
town/Angels fly
to earth and
help us a lot

signed
David Woolan
Elementary "B"
school.

December 1st, 1982

Dear Santa,
I would like a pink'n
Pretty Barbie and bar
ber's bubble bath. Please
and thank you,
for my brother a
stomper.
I hope I can put cookies
and milk on the table
your friend,
Christal Kos Port 2



MERRY
CHRISTMAS
Bob's
Shop Repair
Drayton Valley



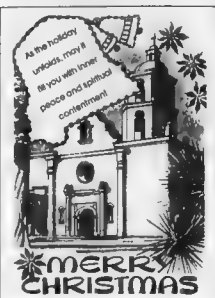
They journeyed far to present
him with precious gifts on that
holy day. We'd like to thank you
for your gifts of loyal support.

Lee, Norma, Pat, Frank and Kelly
Fraser Auto Supply



Here's a special
thanks to the
people who have
made this year a
real success. May
your fondest
dreams come true!

Glen Bowen
Holdings Ltd.



From your friends at
**Norette Oilfield
Services Ltd.**

**IN THE CHRISTMAS
TRADITION, WE wish you
ALL A FUN AND FESTIVE
SEASON! MANY THANKS
TO ONE AND ALL!**



Kurt Henderson, Clara Landolt, David Robinson, Carol Turner, Laura Knapton



542 1080



Best behavior deserves Santa's attention

DEAR SANTA

You may remember me, I'm the little girl who
snipped off a chunk of your beard to show my
friends when I saw you at Meadowlark. Also I
kicked you in the leg for not eating the mud pies I'd
left out for you the year before.

I've been a really good girl this year. I've limited
my screaming fits to 2 a day and I don't eat with my
fingers anymore. Instead of throwing aliveness
when I get mad, I throw toys because I don't use
them for anything else.

I was really nice to everybody this year. I gave
my teacher, Miss Zena, my pet frog. She was so
happy she screamed. I baked some cookies for Mom
and Dad. I didn't eat any of them, but they liked
them so much they ate too many and got sick. I
went to visit my old Grandma in the hospital. I took
her for a ride in her wheelchair through the
cafeteria. The excitement was the best thing for
her. She spoke for the first time in weeks, but since
I've returned I can't repeat what she said.

When you come on Christmas Eve this year I will
heavy you out the piece of pumpkin pie which I
saved for you from Thanksgiving. I hid it under my
bed so my mom wouldn't find it. Our Saint Bernard
only got a lick of it before I flattened him.

All I want for Christmas this year is a Barbie doll
car, a Baby-That-Away, and a healthy assortment
and supply of candy from the corner store. (Make
sure you don't forget that Baby-That-Away because
Mom won't let me play house with my baby brother
after the last time.) I'll be waiting for you on the big
night, so bring the stuff or else.

From, Little Mary Moffa
Alias: Colleen Motta

By Brandi Davis
Grade 4
Elementary B School

Charlie Brown had to get a tree
For a play
And of course one for me!!
And if he doesn't get that tree
Our play will be ruined for you
And for me

I hope Charlie Brown will get a giant green one
If he doesn't we'll have to get a blue one???
I know he'll get a beautiful one
Hi guys he said with a
blue tree



management and staff
Fountain Tire Stores



A toast to you ... for bringing
us another successful year! We're
looking forward to serving you now
and in the future!

**Three Knights Steak House
& Pizza**

HOLIDAY GREETINGS!



Warmest
wishes for
Christmas
Season



GREETINGS



Thanks for making
this past year so grand.
Best wishes of the season!

Terry, Darrin, and Jerome
Al's Glass (1979)

HOLIDAY GREETINGS



Sgt. Terry Brown,
Cst. Grant Glatzer
Cst. Terry Fox
Cst. Denise Caulfield
Secretary Karen McGregor
and County of Parkland Police Personnel

Universal in meaning, and deeply moving, Nativity touches heart, soul

In the course of two millennia, countless millions of people have lived their lives in accordance with the teachings of Christ. To all of them, the story of the birth of Christ is of great significance. It is at once the history of the Mother and Child whose lives are at the heart of Christianity, and the moving tale of a mother and her infant.

The story of the Nativity is both glorious and tender, infinitely complex and profoundly simple, universal in significance and deeply personal in tone.

With a meaning that is truly for all time because it transcends it, the Christmas story is as integral a part of thought and belief in the 20th century, as it was in the third or fourth.

Perhaps no other occurrence has touched so many lives in so many ways, fulfilling vastly different needs while remaining itself untouched.

The mystic heart of the medieval mind, for instance, envisioned the Christ Child as a miniature adult, crowned with a golden halo. Praised rather softly on the Madonna's lap, He sits enthroned and surrounded by an host of angels and saints.

Even in infancy, the painters of the Middle Ages were to say, Christ was already the man who would die upon the Cross for our sins.

The paintings of Madonna and Child which date from the Middle Ages are solemnly devout celebrations of the glory of God and Christ, His Son.

In contrast, the paintings of the Italian Renaissance, when the philosophy of Humanism was current, depict the Madonna and Child as a very real mother and son. As painted by Leonardo da Vinci, Masaccio, Botticelli, Fra Angelico and Fra Filippo Lippi, for example,

the infant Christ is only a child, plump and vigorous in his living motion. The setting is realistic — a landscape or night-balcony interior — rather than those floating on a golden background. The voices and smiles of Renaissance art are self-evidently for the infant Christ as nobody's other than His, but rather enhance it, emphasizing love rather than awe.

At the same time, the Italian Renaissance conception of Christ was a glorious one. Paintings such as Giotto da Pistoia's adoration, with its air of regal courtliness, illustrate that, in the Renaissance mind, Christ was a king as well as a child and a man.

The Flemish masters of the 15th century see the Nativity from a different perspective. The emphasis is on the personal in such paintings as Hugo van der Goes' 'Portrait of a Shepherd' (reborn around 1480) depicts the Adoration and Coenraet van Sint Jans' 'Nativity'.

The history reminds the Flemish school are represented in the many true-to-life details, as well as in the minute of the Madonna waiting over her Babe, the epitome of loving motherhood.

Mystic, regal, touching, awe-inspiring, loving. That the Nativity can be so many things at once, is in some way a measure of its immeasurable significance.

That it has meant so many things to so many people indicates its infinite power to reach the human heart, to comfort and comfort for as needed from one another, reaching both heart and soul. As the eternal leaves its indelible mark upon the temporal, it repeats the lesson of its ultimate, eternal universality.



A TENDERLY EVOCATIVE REBEDICTION of a Madonna and Child by Sandro Botticelli. The Madonna is holding and cradling the infant Christ, the image of a real baby. Illustration courtesy The New York Public Library Picture Collection.

A Jolly Christmas

Wishing you a Yuletide rich in happiness...iced with the sweetest joy of giving. It's been a pleasure to serve our customers!

Herald, June and staff
Drayton Bakery

Merry Christmas

May the essence of Christmas once again fill your heart and home with peace and lasting serenity.

To all our faithful and steadfast patrons, we wish the very best at the holiday season.

VALLEY OILFIELD SERVICE LTD.

542-4276



MERRY CHRISTMAS

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

May the magic of Christmas fill your souls with wonderful things! Our thanks to one and all!

FROM THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF OF

H & B PLUMBING LTD.

We never tire of your year-long support! Best wishes to you and your families for a joyous Noel!

Happy New Year from all of us at Green "T" Texaco



Students of Mrs. Dekker's Grade 12 class decorated their tree.

Hardock, Coco and Joe
O le le lay de, o lay de lay,
Donner and Blitzen away, away,
O le o lay de, o lay de le,
I'm Hardock, I'm Coco, I'm Joe
And Santa is busy with his heavy pack,
He trusts his drivers and never looks back.
O le o lay de, o lay de lay,
Donner and Blitzen away, away,
O le o lay de, o lay de le,
I'm Hardock, I'm Coco, I'm Joe.



Up On The House-Top

Up on the housetop reindeer pause,
Out jumps good old Santa Claus:
Down thro' the chimney with lots of toys,
All for the little ones, Christmas joys.

Refrain:

Ho, ho, ho! who wouldn't go!
Ho, ho, ho! who wouldn't go!
Up on the house-top, click, click, click,
Down thro' the chimney with good Saint Nick.

GLAD TIDINGS TO YOU

We wish you a holiday season that's the picture of happiness...and signed with our sincere thanks for your valued patronage. Merry Christmas!

Expressions Arts & Crafts and S&G Distributors

Our Yuletide prescription for you:
one part laughter, two parts love, and a big "thank you" to all the people we've so enjoyed serving!

from Gerry and Staff
Penney's Drugs

Cheerio

As Christmas approaches it is a pleasure for all of us to wish all of you a holiday abounding with Health, Happiness and Prosperity!

U.F.A.
RUSTY, NORMAN & STAFF
542-4141

Merry Christmas

Warmest of wishes to our customers and friends this joyous season!

Getzinger's Auto Body and Glass Ltd.

Noel

The happiest of holidays

At this wonderful time, we'd like to thank our loyal friends and customers for an outstanding year!

Elmer, Maxine and staff
Ink Pot Printing & Stationery

BRIGHT WISHES

Here's hoping your Christmas is a sparkling success...strewing with seasonal joy and entertainment. We'll do our very best to deserve the credit you have shown us.

Bernadette & Staff
T.H.E. Cleaners

O Holy Night

O holy night! the stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth:
Long lay the world in sin and error pining;
Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary soul rejoices,
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn:
Fall on your knees, Oh, hear the angel voices!
O night divine, O night when Christ was born!
On night, O holy night, O night divine!
Led by the light of faith serenely beaming;
With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand;
So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming
Here came the wise men from Orient land.
The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger,
In all our trials born to be our friend,
He knew our need, in our weakness is no stranger,
Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!
Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!
Behold your King, before Him lowly bend!
Truly He taught us to love one another,
His law is love, and His gospel is peace;
Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother,
And in His name all oppression shall cease.
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise His holy name.
Christ is the Lord, O, praise His name forever!
His pow'r and glory ever more proclaim!
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Santa, also known as Marvin Tomhanser, amaze's wide-eyed three-year old during Wednesday's Tiny Threes Skating Club's skate with Santa.

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

It came upon a midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold.
"Peace on earth, good will to men,
From heav'n's all gracious King,"
The world in solemn stillness lay,
To hear the angels sing.
Still through the cloven skies they came,
With peaceful wings unfurled,
And still their heav'nly music floats
O'er all the weary world.
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever o'er its babel sounds
The blessed angels sing.
For lo! the days are hast'ning on,
By prophets seers of old,
When with the ever-circling years
Shall come the time foretold,
When the new heav'n and earth shall own
The Prince of Peace their King,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing.

Santa's Workshop

North Pole
H0H 0H0

Dear Craig,

Thank you for your lovely letter. This year the mother rabbits are very fuzzy and want to keep most of their bunnies but I shall try to get you a baby bunny. The He Man Collection is very popular. I have lots of toys to make so please do not be disappointed if I don't get your present. Your's Truly Santa Claus

Santa's Workshop

North Pole
December 7, 1982

Dear Santa,

I would like a bow and arrow. I helped my family get ready for winter and clean my room and helped my mom and Dad. I have been a good boy. Your friend, Larry Weller, fort. 2

Your GI Joe enemy set. I will have to go to the Bay in the North pole. Have a very happy Christmas.

Yours truly, Santa Claus

December 1, 1982

Dear Santa

I have been good all year. I want a GI Joe enemy set and a blouse for my sister. Santa I wish you a Merrychristmas for Santa from Jessie Minelly

Santa's Workshop

North Pole
December 1st, 1982

Dear Santa,

I would like a bow and arrow. I helped my family get ready for winter and clean my room and helped my mom and Dad. I have been a good boy. Your friend, Larry Weller, fort. 2

O Sing A Song Of Bethlehem

O sing a song of Bethlehem,
Of shepherds watching there,
And of the news that came to them
From angels that came to them.
From angels in the air:
The light that shone on Bethlehem
Fills all the world today;
Of Jesus' birth and peace on earth
The angels sing away.
O sing a song of Nazareth
Of many days of joy,
O sing of fragrant flowers' breath,
And of the sinless Boy:
For now the flowers of Nazareth
In every heart may grow,
Now spreads the fame of His dear Name
On all the winds that blow.
O sing a song of Galilee
Of lake and woods and hills,
Of Him who walked upon the sea
And made its waves be still.
For though, like waves on Galilee,
Dark seas of trouble roll
When faith has heard the Master's word
Falls peace upon the soul.



Seasons Greetings
May your Christmas Day
shine as brightly with
many joyful moments!

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Dave's Radio & TV
from Dave, Dixie, & staff

CHRISTMAS

Of the
many gifts we've
received, those of your
loyalty and friendship
mean the most to us.
Thank you for your continued
and valued patronage.



from the management and staff at
**KELLY'S
PUMP SERVICE LTD.**



We'd like to
wrap up your
holiday with
our sincere
thanks for
being so
kind!

**Merry
Christmas**

from Noreen, Thelma and Doreen
**R & I PET
SUPPLIES**



GREETINGS
In appreciation of our pleasant business
relations we value this opportunity to
wish you Seasons Greetings.

Wally and Fay Kallischuk
**PEMBINA STEAMING &
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SYMPHONY
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MERRY
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In lieu of traditional advertising we have
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**Merry
Christmas
to
Everyone**

Our message is
simple but sincere.
"Have a glorious
Christmas, friends!"

and to
all our customers,
a big "Thank's!"

from Judy & Bev at
**The
Gold Pole**

Hi! Merry Christmas!

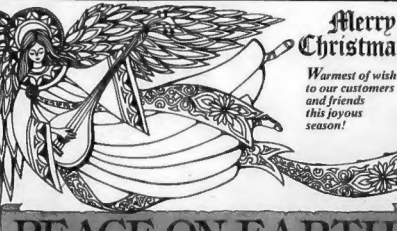
**JOLLY SPIRITS AROUND AS
OUR HEARTS AND HOMES
EMBRACE THE GLORIOUS
WONDER OF CHRISTMAS.
TO ALL OUR DEAR FRIENDS
GO OUR BEST WISHES FOR A
HOLIDAY RICH IN HEALTH,
HAPPINESS AND LOVE!**

Staff and Management
**WESTWIND
MOTOR INN**



**Merry Christmas
to all, with
special thanks to
all our customers.**

Don & Deanne Bowen
B.R.S. Rental Service Ltd.



**Merry
Christmas**

Warmest of wishes
to our customers
and friends
this joyous
season!

PEACE ON EARTH

the staff at the
Treasury Branch
Drayton Valley



It's been just terrific
serving you, our friends
and neighbors, all year long!

Merry Christmas
management and staff
B&W Dairy King
Drive-In & Restaurant
942-4231

The Christmas Song

Chestnuts roasting on an open fire,
Jack Frost nippin' at your nose.
Yuletide carols being sung by a choir,
And folks dressed up like Eskimos.
Everybody knows a turkey and some mistletoe,
They help to make the season bright.
Tiny tots with their eyes all aglow,
Will find it hard to sleep tonight.
They know that Santa's on his way,
He's loaded tons of toys and goodies on his sleigh.
And every mother's child is gonna spy,
To see if reindeer really know how to fly.
And so I'm offering you this simple phrase,
From kids from one to ninety-two,
Although it's been said
Many times, many ways,
Merry Christmas to you.

We Wish You A Merry Christmas

We wish you a Merry Christmas,
We wish you a Merry Christmas,
We wish you a Merry Christmas,
And a Happy New Year!
Good tidings we bring for you and your kin,
We wish you a Merry Christmas,
And a Happy New Year!
Now bring us some figgy pudding,
Now bring us some figgy pudding,
Now bring us some figgy pudding,
Now bring some to us here.

But computers break down

By Michelle Smeland
Elementary B School
Santa could be computerized in some areas like helping elves to wrap presents. Teaching the little ones how to do things like making toys help wrap presents and babysit smaller ones.
But on the other hand if he does the

computer might go haywire. It might give bad children toys and good Christmas!

Seasons Greetings

Warm wishes to a wonderful Christmas from the Leslie Family in Turnhouse

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

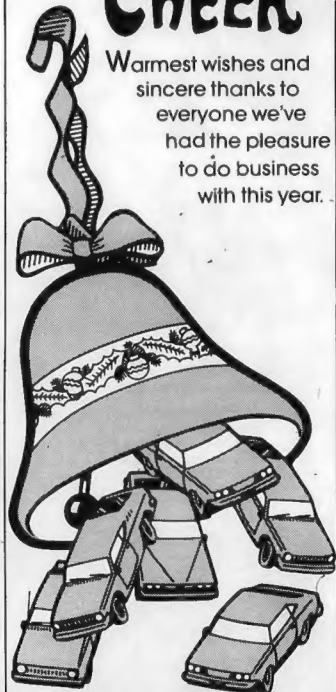


This holy Christmas, may you experience inner peace, joy in your soul and love in your heart. A sincere thanks to all our patrons!

Elmer and staff
Woodland Chrysler

HOLIDAY CHEER

Warmest wishes and sincere thanks to everyone we've had the pleasure to do business with this year.



from the management and staff

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Interview with Santa reveals his motives

By Dian Mills

Elementary B School
My interview is with Mr. Nicholas, whom we all know as Santa Claus.

Dian - Tell me, Mr. Nicholas, how did you reach your decision to do this kind of thing? I mean, giving gifts to children on Christmas eve.

Mr. Nicholas - Well, call me Santa. Now, here's my story. We, my family: my brother, sister, mum, poppa, and myself, were very poor. Momma and Poppa died when I was twelve years old, so that left me, the eldest in the family, to look after Twinkle and Shortstop. (My brother and sister!) They loved each other very much and I loved them both very dearly. They loved getting gifts, but we were so poor that I could hardly ever get anything for them.

One day I decided that I would skimp and save to get enough money to buy gifts for Twinkle and Shortstop.

On December 24th, I finally had the gifts for the kids all wrapped up. (the wrapping cost me extra). On Christmas day (December 25th) I gave them their gifts and you should have seen the looks on their faces! Right at that moment, I decided that I wanted to see that look on every child's face, so to

this day, every Christmas Eve I go around the world giving gifts to children.

Dian - I'll bet it's a refreshing experience.

Santa - Well, it's a wonderful experience.

Dian - Well, it's been a pleasure talking to you.

Santa - I hope to see you again, soon.

Santa - You should. You're on my good girl's list.

This is Dian Mills reporting for the Western Review in Drayton Valley, Alberta.

C is for candy we find in our sock.

H is for how we keep an eye on the clock.

R is for relax in Christmas cake.

I is for icing we all help to make.

S is for 'surprise' as we open each gift.

T is for thank you's that give us a lift.

M is for magic of Christmas Eve.

A is for awareness of what we believe.

S is for the Spirit every heart can receive.

Lisa Bucholtz
Grade 8



Murray Carefoot and Sharon Tuckwood hang a centerpiece in their classroom.



Happy Holiday
We're glowing with bright wishes to all our friends and customers. Have the merriest of Christmases!
from the management and staff
Ghais Bros. Grocery



The days ahead look bright and sunny as we ring in the season!
Merry Christmas
from Bob Alexander
Prudential Assurance
542-3007



Knowing you and your family is a year round delight! We hope to have the pleasure of continuing to serve you and extend Christmas greetings that are warm and sincere.
From Management and Staff
McMillan's Auto Body Ltd.
542-4170 Industrial Road



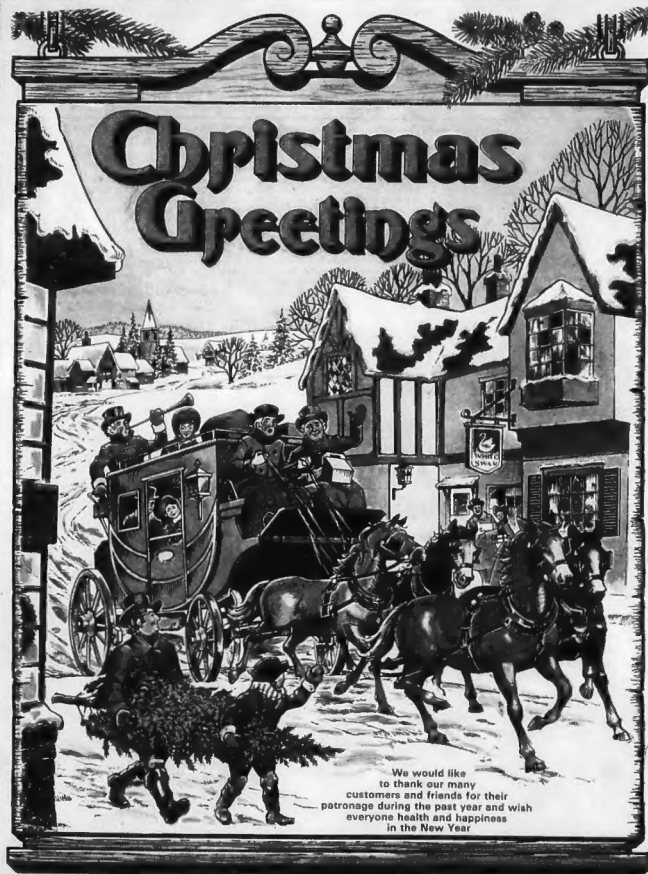
It's the little traditions of the Christmas season that make it so special. The sights, the sounds, fun and festivities... all fill the air with a spirit of warmth as we open our hearts and homes with gladness. What better time than the holidays to thank all of you for your co-operation throughout the year? It's been our sincere pleasure to serve you.

Happy Holidays To All

The Mayor, Councillors and Staff of the



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We would like to thank our many customers and friends for their patronage during the past year and wish everyone health and happiness in the New Year

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Mandatory exams possible for 1984

By Greg Harris

The possibility that comprehensive exams will be made mandatory for Grade 12 students in 1984 is an unappealing one for Drayton Valley educators.

Minister of Education Dave Klug announced Friday he will recommend to the government caucus "that the comprehensive examinations in January and June of 1983 be administered on an optional basis for that year only, and that they become mandatory in 1984."

"I didn't think he'd go that far," remarked Bev Dekker, Drayton Valley Alberta Teachers' Association representative.

"By no means does the ATA want them compulsory ... exams are quite often not statistically exact and they would have the effect of taking the immediacy out of teaching," she said.

"Departmentals were like a medieval torture device the way they were used before," charged Richie Woods, Frank Maddeck High School principal.

"The one thing that bothers me is we don't know what the validity and reliability of that test is ... I've seen in the past how these tests are unreliable," he said.

Better methods of assessing and insuring competency would result if the government struck a school accreditation board to evaluate teaching standards, said Woods.

"We'll test and assess the students ... surely we know more about a kid who's been here for three years than an exam can show."

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Santa Claus visited the Drayton Valley Play School Thursday and Friday to find out who was naughty and who was nice. Robb Jansen and Adam Park

were two of the children to climb on his knee for consultation. (photo by Stuart Adams)

Holiday Hours

The Western Review would like to announce the following hours of operation for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Our office will be closed Dec. 23 and 24 and 31. All deadlines for advertising and news copy will still be in effect.

Deadlines which fall on a day on which we are closed will be extended to the following deadline day.

We would like to wish our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Well capping efforts stalled

By Stuart Adams

Repairs to an integral piece of equipment in the capping operation halted an attempt to cap the wild well near Lodgepole on Monday.

Amoco Canada spokesman Ilen Smith said the left track of an Athey wagon jammed as it was being moved into position to lower the blowout preventer (BOP) over the wellhead. As of Monday afternoon the track had been removed and a faulty bearing was being replaced.

The Athey wagon is basically a crane with a 10-metre boom and is mounted on tracks. It has no built-in means of locomotion and is either pushed or pulled by a bulldozer.

"By Tuesday we hope the Athey wagon will have been repaired and they'll be able to move the BOP into the well flow," Smith said Monday afternoon.

"Boots will conduct this particular exercise," he added, referring to Boots Hanford of the Boots and Coats wild well control team from Texas.

The BOP will be bolted to a new casing bowl which was attached to the wellbore casing last week. The original casing bowl was damaged by the second fire and had to be replaced.

To facilitate the operation a trench 120 metres long, 10 metres wide and three metres deep was dug with the wellhead in the middle.

Crews then worked while protected by heat shields to attach the new casing bowl.

Smith said once the 10-tonne (12-ton) BOP is bolted onto this casing bowl the blind ram inside it will be closed and the gas will be diverted to a flare pit.

Riser pipe at the end of 10-metre (40 ft.) boom readied to be positioned by athey wagon.

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